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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC DATE: 1/30/53

FROM: SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
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On 1/10/53 a written report was received personally by SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A) from [redacted] setting out information concerning a conference sponsored by the ACLU held at the Hotel Alexandria, Fifth and Spring Streets, Los Angeles, on 12/13/52. Report will be found in [redacted]

Literature concerning this conference which was called "How Free in '53" was distributed by the LACPFB, according to informant. A copy of this literature will be found in [redacted]

Received at the conference by informant was a leaflet entitled "Enforce the Bill of Rights" issued by the California Emergency Defense Committee. This leaflet will be found in [redacted] b7D

Also distributed at the 12/13(52) conference was a leaflet issued by the "Los Angeles Citizens Committee for Freedom in Education," Mrs. DOROTHY MARSHALL acting chairman. Address of the committee was shown as 4631 Mullen Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone Axminster 1-4211. Copy will be found in [redacted]

A program for the conference will be found in [redacted]

Informant reported that registration for the conference ran from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. At 10:15 opening comments were made by Dr. EASON MONROE, Executive Director, ACLU. From 10:30 to 12:30 the first part of the session consisted of: (1) Discussion of Academic Freedom by a Mr. ORR; (2) Censorship - ROBERT VOGEL, chairman; (3) Civil Rights - FRED OKRAND, chairman; (4) Smith Act - LORRAINE MILLER, chairman; (5) Immigration and Deportation - ROBERT MORRIS, chairman; (6) Labor and Civil Liberties - EDGAR WARREN, chairman; (7) Legislation - J. B. TIETZ, chairman; (8) Investigating Committees and the Fifth Amendment - chairman one SAM ____ rather than C. MACINTOSH as scheduled; (9) ACLU Public (U)

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100-3267
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cc [redacted]
100-41648 (Rosenberg Committee)
100-1783 (LACPFB)
100-37995 (CEDC)
100-43681 (Dorothy Marshall)
100-3267 (Dr. Eason Monroe)
100-33378 (Harold Orr)
100-23719 (Robert Morris)
100-31532 (Gifford Phillips)
100-39162 (Ted Forrester)

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relations - a Jewish man whose name informant did not recall served as chairman rather than G. PHILLIPS as scheduled; (10) ACLU Community Relations - ELIZABETH WOOD, chairman; (11) Academic Freedom.

No. 11 was divided into four groups [redacted] b7D Group #2 headed by a Mrs. DOROTHY FRANK. Group #1 was headed by Mrs. COOPER, and Group #3 was headed by TED FORRESTER, assistant professor of physics at UCLA. Group #4 was headed by a young man whose last name was STORM, reportedly assistant professor, school unknown to the informant.

From 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. all of the groups and committees gathered in the Conference Hall and the respective chairmen gave brief reports on the progress of their committees.

At 1:00 p.m. the first part of the convention adjourned until 2:15 p.m.

From 2:15 to 4:00 p.m. the committees again when into session. The "Academic Freedom" discussion were then composed of three groups concerning (1) Higher Education, (2) Public Schools, (3) Students. This body of three groups was supposed to be headed by FRANK SHERWOOD, but TED FORRESTER asked SHERWOOD if he, FORRESTER, could be the chairman of the three groups instead of SHERWOOD. This took place and FORRESTER served as chairman until the end of the discussions.

Over 35 people attended these three groups, most of them senior university students and professors with some high school teachers. Among the professors was one formerly a professor in Nebraska State University now at USC in informant's opinion. [redacted] Dr. STANWITZ from South Dakota State College. b7D

In informant's opinion, the procedure of the discussion had been prepared in advance because only those known to FORRESTER were active and they dominated the meeting with their propositions and suggestions being quickly accepted and put in the minutes.

One of the main items discussed was an agreement to protest all restrictions on campuses of universities, censorship of student newspapers, freedom of assembly, political speakers, etc.

The next subject was how to organize a national students organization with liaison between schools for exchanging news on a national scale and to send delegates to the U.N. with different suggestions and finally getting in contact with students all over the world.

From 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. brief committee reports were given, some of the chairmen including FRED OKRAND, _____STORM, and TED FORRESTER strongly defending ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG describing them as "Smith Act

victims" and demanding the reversal of their conviction as well as urging the repeal of the Smith and McCarran Acts. All of the chairmen were restricted to two minute reports, but many ignored the rule, speaking longer.

Closing remarks were made by Dr. MONROE who thanked those present for taking part in the conference, cautioning them not to think that all the ideas will be taken under consideration since some of them may be rejected by the ACLU Board of Director.

Prior to the starting of the afternoon session, a film was shown and in referring to the film Dr. MONROE mentioned that the film "was not ours" -- the person who asked to have it shown having been permitted by ACLU to show it. He pointed out that ACLU was not responsible for the film, however. Informant did not see all of the film, but from what he saw he stated it appeared to criticize the present school system.

Informant expressed the opinion that the entire conference was dominated by "Communist influence" pointing out that most of the chairmen of the different groups had been substituted and the individuals named on the program did not appear.

An individual named NINA KASWINER [redacted] at the conference. Informant stated that this girl was a student at UCLA, having been a student at the State University of Nebraska. She was born in Warsaw, Poland and at the age of six was taken to South America where the parents still reside. NINA has been in the U.S. for the last six years. It was informant's opinion that she was a delegate from some students' organization from the UCLA campus to the conference. She met some of the chairmen of the committees and made lots of notes. [redacted] she had come to the convention to obtain information to make a report to her club unit at the university. b7D

On 12/17/52 informant orally advised that NINA's phone number is WE 3-9928

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DATE: 1/29/53

FROM : SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
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On 1/7/53 a written report was received personally by SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A) from [redacted] covering his attendance at a meeting sponsored by the ACLU, Southern California Branch, held 12/12/52, 8:45 p.m. in the Continental Room, Hotel Alexandria, Fifth and Spring Streets, Los Angeles, to honor and defend the Bill of Rights. Report will be found in [redacted]

CHET HUNTLEY, NBC news commentator was master of ceremonies. Other speakers included ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, Assistant Director, Ford Foundation and ex-president of Chicago University now residing in Santa Monica. JOSEPH DE SILVA, Retail Clerk Union, AFL; GIFFORD PHILLIPS; Rev. HICKS, a Negro Methodist Church preacher, and EASON MONROE. b7D

All of the above speakers spoke on the Bill of Rights defending civil rights and freedom. Informant stated that some of the speakers defended the ROSENBERGs (ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG) stating they were innocent victims of present war hysteria. No details were furnished by informant. Admission was $1.00. About 500 people were present. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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cc - [redacted]
100-31532 (Gifford Phillips)
100-3267 (Dr. Eason Monroe)
100-41648 (Rosenberg Committee)

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COMPLAINT FORM

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
Subject's Name and Aliases

Mrs. PAUL QUAINTONER
Name of Complainant

408 South Highland, LA
Address of Complainant

WAlnut 4739
Telephone Number of Complainant

Address of Subject

1/14/53 at 10:55 a.m.
Date and Time Complaint Received

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DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant advised that the Beverly Hills Reporter issue of January 14, 1953, page 9, carried a notation to the effect that the above-named organization was having a meeting on the evening of January 14, 1953, at the Larchmont Hall, 118 North Larchmont Boulevard. The purpose of this meeting was for a discussion of the crisis in the Los Angeles educational system.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

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DATE: 1/2/53 (U)

FROM : SA DONALD B. BOYER

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On 12/19/52 a written report was received through the mail from [redacted] by SA DONALD B. BOYER, which is located in [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

Informant advised that on 12/13/52 she attended an afternoon session of the American Civil Liberties Union Conference held at the Hotel Alexandria, 5th and Spring Streets, Los Angeles. Informant attended the Civil Rights Committee of the conference. ESTHER KEYS and REUBEN BOROUGH were present at this meeting and the Civil Rights Committee went on record stating that they wanted to set up a committee to investigate the Rosenberg case further before taking a stand as to whether or not it should be an issue of the American Civil Liberties Union. (C) (U) (U)

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100-3267
cc: [redacted] b7D
100-31837 (E. KEYS)
100-7500 (R. BOROUGH) (C) (U)

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[redacted] orally advised SA WILLIAM J. HOLDER on 12/18/52 that [redacted] will run for mayor in L.A. in the coming city election and will be sponsored by the Socialist Workers Party. (C)

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Informant stated that [redacted] and other SWP members have become concerned over the loyalty oath that must be taken by all candidates, and they have gone to the American Civil Liberty Union to obtain information regarding these oaths. Informant advised that the American Civil Liberty Union wants [redacted] and the other SWP members to sign the oath so it can be contested in the courts. (C)

Informant stated that [redacted] b7D [redacted] FRED HOLLAND is now working in New York City. Informant added that it was his opinion that [redacted] has withdrawn from the SWP. (C)

Informant advised that [redacted] (DETROIT) is employed by the L.A. [redacted] and he is going to visit his home in Rochester, N.Y. from 12/27/52 to February 6, 1953. Informant advised that DETROIT said this trip is to take care of personal business. (C)

Informant advised that [redacted] GALLAGHER, a lawyer and former CP member, has been attending the GALLAGHER forums on Friday night that are sponsored by the SWP. Informant stated GALLAGHER is running for school board of L.A. in the coming election as an Independent and he is making a bid for SWP support because he approves the SWP program. (C)

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100-17192
SOC: [redacted]
100-23274 ([redacted])
100-13259 ([redacted])
100-6211 ([redacted])
100-4693 (L. GALLAGHER)
100-3267 (American Civil Liberty Union)

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TO: SAC DATE: 1/19/53

FROM: SA PAUL C. HOBBS

SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE
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On 1/7/53 [redacted] orally advised SA PAUL C. HOBBS that a meeting of the Independent Socialist League was held at [redacted] b7D

[redacted] (C) (U)

[redacted] JUSTIN and JACKIE GROSSMAN have moved to West Los Angeles, and no discussion was held as to why they have not been attending ISL meetings. It was previously announced that JUSTIN is mad at STAN WEIR and for that reason they are not attending. (C) (U)

ARLIN (TUSSING) advised that the SYL has 10 people on the UCLA campus and they are operating under the name of the Vanguard Club. GARDNER WELLS read a report he prepared for a CSO constitutional change. The organization did not agree with his changes, but he said he was going to submit it anyway. (C) (U)

It was also announced that the SYL is making efforts to infiltrate the American Civil Liberties Union in an effort to place some of its program into the activities of the ACL.

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cc - [redacted] b7D
100-24053 (SYL)
100-31292 (A. Simons)
100-29489 (Sam Class)
100-29743 (G. Wells)
100-39948 (M. Weir)
100-43834 (B. Rubinberg)
100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)
100-36440 (Shirley Class)
100-43560 (A. Tussing)
100-40206 (J. Grossman)
100-39811 (J. Grossman)
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TO : SAC DATE: 2/17/53

FROM : SA RICHARD J. STILLING

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SUBJECT: RESIDENTS COMMITTEE
AGAINST LOYALTY OATHS
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On 1/29/53 [redacted] a potential security informant, whose identity should be protected, orally furnished the following information to SA RICHARD J. STILLING: (C) (U)

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The Residents Committee Against Loyalty Oaths held a meeting on [redacted] at 1964 East 1st Street (Angelus Hall). The main speaker at this meeting was Dr. EASON MONROE, Executive Secretary, American Civil Liberties Union, who spoke on the pros and cons of the loyalty oaths for residents of public housing. MONROE did not advise the individuals present whether to sign or not to sign but merely discussed the matter.

There was a round-table discussion following MONROE's speech. The following individuals were present: Dr. EASON MONROE, Mr. ISAAC LAIDLEY, SARAH TAYLOR, SIDNEY MOORE, ADELE MOORE, BERTHA MARSHALL, LOUIS HURLEY, SAM KONICH, Mrs. PEARL McGEE and ELEANOR WYCOFF. (C) (U)

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The informant furnished a leaflet concerning this meeting which showed the head of the organization to be SIDNEY MOORE, JR., Chairman, 1211 Glencross Court, Estrada Courts, telephone ANgelus 2-8933. (This leaflet is located in [redacted] (C) (U)

RJS:cla
100-44645
cc: [redacted] (C)
100-44489 (E. MONROE)
100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)
100-21990 (I. LAIDLEY)
100-34640 (S. MOORE, JR.)
100-34641 (A. MOORE)
100-19661 (B. MARSHALL)
100-31712 (S. KONICH)
100-42148 (P. McGEE)
100-41137 (E. WYCOFF)
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TO: SAC DATE: 3/25/53

FROM: SA WILLIAM J. McCAULEY (U)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF LOS ANGELES FEDERATION OF TEACHERS IS-C

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[redacted] (C) (U) b7D attended a meeting of the Olympic IPP Club at the First Unitarian Church on [redacted] At this meeting, Mrs. FRANCES EISENBERG, representing the subject organization, spoke. At this meeting, the informant obtained a copy of the publication entitled "The Los Angeles Teacher," Volume 13, Number 5, dated January, 1953, which identifies itself as the "News Letter of the Los Angeles Federation of Teachers, 1302 Figueroa Street, Los Angeles 15, California,- RIchmond 9088," and identifies as its editor, "Mrs. FRANCES R. EISENBERG." This item was furnished the writer by [redacted] on February 9, 1953 and has been serialized in file [redacted] (C) (U) (C) (U) b7D

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cc: [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

100-43651 (ROBERT SCHMORLEITZ)
100-28977 (WOMEN's INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM)
100-25370 (AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS)
100- (Mrs. JUSTIN FRANK)
100- (LOS ANGELES CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM IN EDUCATION)
100-44566 (THOMAS COPLEY
100-1526 (A.A. HEIST)
100-24764 (LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONFERENCE ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS)
100-29426 (JEANLT STEVENSON)
100-31920 (DR. P.PRICE COBBS)
100-27214 (DR. LESTER)
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-44849 (EASON MONROE)
100-33378 (HAROLD MOOR)
100-41227 (MURIEL GOLDSMITH)
100-23423 (CP-POLITICAL ACTIVITIES
100-16643 (COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS)
100-43962 (FRANCES EISENBERG)
100-25481 (JEAN WILKINSON)

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Following are pertinent excerpts quoted from this item:

Page 1. "The fight back of the Los Angeles community against witch hunting in the public schools has created so many hurdles for the proponents of a breakdown on academic freedom that they have been compelled to search for substitute measures." ..."On December 17, the Los Angeles Federation of Teachers issued the following statement:

'The Los Angeles Federation of Teachers charged from the outset that the witch hunt procedures of the Board of Education were illegal....We charge now that the substitute plan for investigation of all employees by the State Senate Un-American Activities Committee is an attempt to circumvent the Board's illegal program to cover over legislative equanimity, and with the help of the discredited TENNEY-BURNS Committee....'The Los Angeles Federation of Teachers will resist this new encroachment on teacher's rights, recognizing that it leads to the destruction of Democratic education.'

"Meanwhile, scores of meetings held throughout the City have expressed resentment and opposition to the attempt to oust from their teaching positions Mrs. FRANCES R. EISENBERG and Mrs. JEAN WILKINSON. The Federation produced film, "The Man Who Hated Children" has received a steady flow of bookings by outraged parents, citizens, and teacher groups and alone has accounted for thirty meetings in which the school crises was discussed."

Page 2. "A press release by Mrs. EISENBERG, dated December 17, stated the following:

'I have mailed to the Los Angeles Board of Education today, my demand for a hearing on charges involving dismissal proceedings against me"....At approximately the same time, Mrs. JEAN WILKINSON likewise demanded a hearing on charges preferred against her by Dr. STODDARD" ..."More than two hundred persons jammed the Board of Education chambers December 18 to hear their representatives speak in opposition to the loyalty regulations and against the dismissal of Mrs. FRANCES EISENBERG and Mrs. JEAN WILKINSON, claiming that 'The effect of the loyalty program is the silencing of all teachers.'

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"ROBERT SCHMORLEITZ, Chairman of the San Fernando Valley United Nations Organization, declared that the Board's action represented 'subversion of academic freedom.'"

"The Los Angeles Friends(Quaker) in a statement read by Mrs. MARGARET SIMKIN, protested the regulations for the dismissal of the two teachers on grounds that 'Quakers oppose violence and compulsion.'

"Expressing the fear that a 'pattern is being set for further and greater controls,' Mrs. EDNA MacGOWAN, representative of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, asserted that 'The thought of thought control in all public schools is frightfull.'

"Mr. CHARLES NICKANUM, who addressed the Board in the name of the Southern California Division of the American Jewish Congress, stated that the Organization's agreement with the position of the other speakers by branding the loyalty program 'A wild witch hunt brand of hysteria.' "Mr. NICKANUM urges the Board to withdraw the motions to dismiss the two teachers because, 'We should seek and welcome teachers who think independently,' asserting that 'teachers are human and entitled to private lives.'"

Page 3. ..."And that loyalty programs make them victims of fear. Mrs. JUSTIN FRANK of the newly formed and rapidly growing Los Angeles Citizens Committee for Freedom In Education, maintained the position that the Board's actions should be overthrown immediately. Mrs. FRANK deplored the denial of Constitutional rights to teachers, 'who have made meaningless the teaching of citizenship when they arbitrarilly dismiss a teacher because she refused to act one way and teach another.' Mrs. FRANK told the Board that 'If the teachers succomb to the Board's demands, I have all these years been giving services to the teaching of the Bill of Rights and the true meaning of our freedoms and Constitutional protections.

"Opposition to the Board of Education's so-called loyalty program, spilled over into the December 22 meeting of the Board. Many citizens had been denied speaking time on December 18 because of limitations of the Board's agenda.

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"Four addressed the committee meeting and sharply attacked dismissal proceedings, loyalty rules and screening. They were:

JAMIE G. MONROY
Mrs. DORIS COPLEY
Mrs. PAULINE WATKINS
Rev. A.A. HEIST.

"Reverend HEIST branded the loyalty check as a "Totalitarian Pattern in the schools."

"The relation between loyalty screening and further restriction of education was underscored at this same meeting, when a number of speakers criticized censorship of school text books and teaching materials. Doctor HUGH M. TINER, President of Pepperdine College, representing the AD HOC Committee of the Los Angeles County Conference on Community Relations, charges that text books were being scanned by a group 'with a loaded set of standards', referring to the activities of the self-appointed 'sub-committee to investigate alleged Un-American activities in our schools.'

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"During 'Bill of Rights Week', one hundred teachers and friends of education gathered together to honor the Bill of Rights under the sponsorship of the Academic Freedom Committee of the Los Angeles Federation of Teachers. This was the occasion for the first official showing of the new Federation-produced film, 'The Man Who Hated Children.' The film was followed by a lively discussion of a panel of speakers; JEANET STEVENSON, playwrite, praised the film enthusiastically and the timeliness and effectiveness of same. Doctor P.PRICE COBBS, prominent Negro physician, emphasized the need to inform the total population of the school crises and the necessity to correct the Board of Education when it is mistaken.

"Doctor MARTIN LESTER, Scientist, talked about the importance of teaching students to examine the world as it is and found the meaning of the attack on the schools in the fact that this approach is abhorrent to some people.

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"He cautioned against passivity and urged fighting back against the danger to Democracy represented by the attack on education.

"JEAN WILKINSON, teacher under attack, gave a stimulating review of the various aspects of the program of Academic Freedom... By unanimous action of those present, a wire was sent to the Board, urging them to recend their loyalty rules and orders and to abandon dismissal proceedings which are 'contrary to the spirit and letter of the Bill of Rights.'

"Also a part of the Bill of Rights Week observances was the memorable conference held December 12 and 13, under the theme, "How Free in 1953? As Free As We Want And Work To Be!' A highlight of the evening session was an address by ROBERT MAYNARD HUTCHINS, Associate Director of the Ford Foundries and a member of National Committee of the American Civil Liberties Union. While an audience of over eight hundred listened in rapt attention to Doctor HUTCHINS' discussion of a number of encouraging signs giving hope that 'the end of the silly season is at hand.' ..."He said, 'nor can we feel much equanimity about the regulations adopted by the Los Angeles school board.' In this connection, he also stated, "Most of the goods on her are on the level of phony intimidation, and bullying.' He expressed the belief that 'popular resistance to prejudice can be mobilized. The people of Denver are winning the battle of books. At SARAH LAWRENCE College they beat back the witch hunters; they resisted; they stood fast. "There is a lesson in this fact for Southern California, said Doctor HUTCHINS."

Other speakers were Unionist, JOE DeSILVA, Reverend JOHN J. HICKS, EASON MONROE, and JEROME MacNAIR.

In the conference sessions on the following day, many Federation members attended and participated actively in the discussion of

Page 6. the many sided defense of Civil Liberties. President, HAROLD ORR, Baltimore, headed a discussion of text book and curriculum censorship.

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"Legislative Chairman, MURIEL GOLDSMITH, chaired a discussion of Academic Freedom in the public schools. The Federation film, 'The Man Who Hated Children' was shown at the conference. Many fruitful proposals in the struggle for Civil Rights emanated from the public,- expressing concern of those in attendance for beating back the hysteria which is threatening America's basis freedoms. These plans will be studied by the ACLU Executive Board as a basis for action in the coming year.

"The coming Board of Education elections are envoking far more than usual interest in the community than was the case in other years....This interest is stimulated further by the fact that all three incumbents are appointed rather than elected members of the Board. The three appointed Board members are Mrs. EDITH K. STAFFORD, Mrs. RUTH COLE, and Mr. HUGH C. WILLETT. It was Mr. WILLETT who made the motion to serve dismissal notices on Mrs. EISENBERG and Mrs. WILKINSON. It was Mrs. STAFFORD who seconded the motion, and Mrs. COLE supported the motion along with other Board members. This fact will give even greater weight during the election campaign to the whole question of witch hunting, which will surely emerge as one of the major issues in the election, along with text book censorship and the banning of major features of the UNESCO program.

"...In the election of Retirement Board members on January 16, the High School post, which has no incumbent candidate, already has five candidates. One of these is President HAROLD ORR.

Page 7. "Next meeting- please note change of date! Date: Wednesday, January 14; Time: 7:30 p.m.; Place: Humanist Hall, 2307 South Union Avenue. Bring a friend.

"You are invited to a house warming! Time: 8:00 p.m., Saturday, January 17; Occasion: 17th Anniversary of the Los Angeles Federation of Teachers; Address: 3220 Durand Drive, Hollywood."

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The cross reference directory lists B. CAROL WESTON as a resident at 3220 Durand Drive, Hollywood.

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It is recommended that dead file be opened on subject organization, on the Los Angeles Citizens Committee For Freedom in Education, and on Mrs. JUSTIN FRANK.

Mrs. JUSTIN FRANK is the wife of the subject of Los Angeles file 100-42367.

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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. _____

COMPLAINT FORM

American Civil Liberties Union
Subject's Name and Aliases

100-3267
44-95

B. F. McKee
Name of Complainant

822 A. Westlake
Address of Complainant

Dunkirk 94703
Telephone Number of Complainant

Address of Subject

Internal Security - C
Character of Case

2/26/53 11:20 A.M.
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant advised he had received by mail a membership card for the above organization. He stated that he has never heard of this group and wished to know if it was included on the Attorney General's list as a subversive organization.

Complainant was referred to the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

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Special Agent

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SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A)

SOUTHERN DIVISION,
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY
IS - C

[redacted]

On 12/4/52 there was received by SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A) via mail from Mrs. WILLIAM E. FOX, 2371 Vista Laguna Terrace, Pasadena 3, California, an original typewritten letter, unsigned, dated 8/20/52. On 12/2/52 SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A) had been telephonically contacted by Mrs. ROBERT A. BEGGS, 2530 Las Lunas Street, Pasadena 8, California, telephone Ryan 1-6155, who has previously furnished information to SA WHITE concerning this letter and advised that it would be sent in.

Mrs. BEGGS explained that the letter had been found in a suit left at a cleaners in Pasadena during the summer of 1952 and had been obtained by Mrs. FOX who has asked Mrs. BEGGS what to do with it. At Mrs. BEGGS' suggestion, the letter was forwarded to this Office to the attention of SA WHITE.

The letter is addressed to "Dear Friend" and states in part: "Due to a whole series of circumstances it would not possible to continue correspondence with you. We have been engaged in revamping the apparatus to guarantee better security. This has meant that some of us were out of circulation for a time, however, we feel that the situation is much improved.

"The present zetkin will be replaced just as soon as possible to conform to the general revamping but it will be used until the new one is established and we would like you to use it to us until the new one is set up."

Further details of this letter are set forth below.

On 1/12/53 Mrs. BEGGS advised SA WHITE that the letter had been obtained by a bailiff of the court of municipal judge WILLIAM E. FOX of Pasadena who had given it to Judge FOX after obtaining it from the cleaners. Judge FOX had discussed the matter with his wife who in turn had contacted Mrs. BEGGS as explained above.

100-18782
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cc - 100-23621 (Frank Alexander)
100-31162 (Underground)
100-37995 (CEDC)
100-25651 (CLC)
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-23717 (CRC)
100-4486 (Dorothy Healy)

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On 1/12/53 Judge WILLIAM E. FOX, 320 East Walnut, Pasadena, was interviewed by SA H. EDWARD WHITE (A), examined the letter, and verified the above information. At that time Judge FOX initialed the reverse of the letter for possible future reference. He stated that his bailiff was THOMAS TIERNEY who had obtained the letter from the DeLuxe Cleaners, South Fair Oaks Avenue, Pasadena.

On 1/13/53 Mr. THOMAS W. TIERNEY, bailiff of Judge FOX's court and residing at 402 Waldo Avenue, Pasadena, California, Sycamore 6-8752, telephonically contacted SA WHITE and advised he had obtained the letter from the DeLuxe Cleaners "several months ago" - exact date not recalled. The clerk in the cleaners had read in the press concerning the Communist trial in Los Angeles and had shown TIERNEY the letter she had found in a coat leaft to be cleaned by a Negro whose last name was ALEXANDER. (This probably is FRANK ALEXANDER who resides in Pasadena.) At the time TIERNEY obtained the letter he was in his bailiff's uniform and the clerk knew him to be a representative of the court.

The letter also discusses the "bail fight" stating "some steps (have been taken) to guarantee that our people will work with you from the divisions. We have asked each division to set up a person and a committee which should now be working with you on the two questions of raising bail funds and also on the fight to secure bail. Some of these will merge with the work of EDC (Emergency Defense Committee) and CRC (Civil Rights Congress), but at least for our outfit we want to know that there is a definite responsibility. On this we would represent it if you will inform us as to how the divisions are taking up the needs of the campaign, what their response is, where the weaknesses are so that we can take steps to correct them. We have asked all the division committees to have discussions on the bail struggle so that there will be proper understanding and organization to carry the fight through."

The letter goes on to mention that a series of puzzles for this "mass campaign" have been worked out which "go beyond the bail fight and include the questions of the Smith Act repeal and the amnesty campaign. On the latter we had proposed at the time of the lawyers banquet that ALICE be asked to work on the getting of a group of signatories to the amnesty statement patterned after the national statement. Since we have seen nothing in the press on this we wonder if anything was done. We still think it is the first step from which we will be able to develop others."

The letter also states concerning the bail fight that it should be taken "beyond the confines of the left...." and expresses the opinion that it would be desirable to "duplicate what was done last year through the

ACLU ad (American Civil Liberties Union). Some discussions have been had with the president from CLC (California Legislative Conference) and we suggest that you see her to discuss this. Also we might be able to develop out of it a broader citizens committee which could speak out and reach broader sections of the people than ourselves. We are going to try to strengthen the labor ties with such a committee if it can be developed so that it can have some better compositions and stability. This, of course, should be discussed with the people in T so that their thinking and guidance can be involved.

"We would like to have you thinking on the plans as regards the activity of EDC and CRC, that is, what their respective roles are to be as well as their plans for activity so that you can gear the outfit into this. Of course, as long as the bail fight continues, both outfits should play a role in this, a major role, while at the same time attempting to get the other forces into motion along the lines of the ACLU position."

The letter also states that "D. H." (probably DOROTHY HEALY) should be informed that "the question of N and his wife did not represent any change of policy but was a planned agreed upon get-together. It was unfortunate that they used the particular place where they were seen. The question of G. W. being back in his old job is as she characterized it an expedient. No one was satisfied with the proposal, but the situation in that area was desperate for lack of forces and we could find no one to assign from elsewhere. In the past month or so there has been some very good activities in that area around the repeal campaign. In connection with G. W. what does she mean that our policy in this assignment did not include 'vigilance'."

The letter further states that D. H. should be advised "the political people were correct in stating that they had no contact in two months. This was due to conventions, vacations, our own problems of security. The contact has been re-established by now. However, the analysis of the primaries was drawn up immediately after the primaries with their participation. It is not true that there was no consultation.

"The use of the old man is out because he is definitely hot. He has been tailed. His house has been staked out. Because certain arrangements were not carried through by us there has been no contact with him for almost two months. However, steps are being taken to re-establish the contact for purposes of committee work. He should not be used at this time for contact between us.

"We agree to hold up the question of future relationships until the situation becomes clearer. I might add only that regardless of the verdict, most of the ideas or methods of work and a better collective approach to both operative and political leadership on both sides are still valid. With a better security set-up which we will now establish, we should be able to overcome many problems in connection with implementing the memo. We have heard of some new cases of tailing recently. Would appreciate you informing us of what you hear on this and also any new license numbers you have picked up in the past couple of months." The letter ends "Best Regards," but has no name of any kind to indicate the sender or the place from which it came.

The letter has been made an exhibit in file 100-23621.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC

DATE: March 19, 1953 (U) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

FROM: SA RICHARD J. STILLING

~~CLASS. & EXT. BY 11-24-81 6383 VRTlcb~~ (U)
~~REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2~~
~~DATE OF REVIEW 11-24-91~~

SUBJECT: RESIDENTS COMMITTEE AGAINST LOYALTY OATHS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On March 3, 1953, [redacted] furnished a written report to SA RICHARD J. STILLING concerning a meeting of the Residents Committee Against Loyalty Oaths, held on [redacted] (home of [redacted] The informant's original report is filed as [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

The meeting was called to state the results of the present drive against Loyalty Oaths by the Residents Committee Against Loyalty Oaths. Future action was also outlined. SIDNEY MOORE acted as Chairman, and announced that the American Civil Liberties Union and the Residents Committee Against Loyalty Oaths had obtained the following victories in their fight: (C) (U)

1 - A stay of eviction by persons refusing to sign;

2 - Non-signers would have the same privileges as persons who sign.

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The following steps were needed to be taken in the future: (C) (U)

1 - To eliminate Loyalty Oaths entirely;

2 - That the Loyalty Oaths of persons who sign were to be returned to the signers.

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cc: [redacted]
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100-21990 (I. LAIDLEY)
100-19661 (B. MARSHALL)
100-34391 (I. ALVAREZ)
100-34641 (A. MOORE)
100-34640 (S. MOORE)
100-32449 (H. KONICK)
100-31712 (S. KONICK)
100-3267 (AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)

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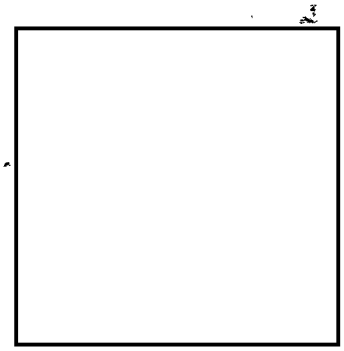

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 3/25/53

FROM : SA CLARK S. SHOAFF

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST YOUTH LEAGUE
IS - SYL

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(C) (U) b7D

On March 12, 1953, [redacted] advised that at a recent meeting of the Independent Socialist League (ISL) in Los Angeles, a leaflet was passed out announcing a conference on "Democracy in Education", which was to be presented by the Vanguard Club at UCLA. The informant stated that the leaflet announced that the Vanguard Club was sponsoring EASON MONROE, Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union, and PAUL JACOBS, "ACLU Board Member, Teacher, Labor Union Consultant," as speakers. (U)

It is to be noted that [redacted] (C) (U) b7D has previously advised that the Vanguard Club of UCLA is a "left wing socialist organization" through which the Socialist Youth League (SYL) is recruiting its members.

On March 16, 1953, [redacted] Los Angeles Office, advised that on 3/14/53, he attended the aforementioned conference and that one of the speakers was PAUL JACOBS. The informant stated that JACOBS told the audience that whenever anyone is filling out Civil Service forms requesting information on an individual's affiliation, that the individual should admit past affiliations and that if any trouble results from the admission, the individual should immediately contact the ACLU. b7D

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100-3476 (ISL)
100-45069 (B. MALCOLM)
100-41391 (P. JACOBS)
100-39307 (D. McREYNOLDS)
100-39811 (I. GROSSMAN)
100-44489 (E. MONROE)
100-22733 (D. KAPLAN)
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The informant stated that JACOBS ridiculed the FBI and advised as follows concerning him: JACOBS cited an instance where a Communist, who was under surveillance by the FBI, left her children at her residence and that the agent, evidently believing that she would return because her children were at the residence, allowed her to leave her residence and awaited her return. JACOBS then stated that the agent was probably greatly surprised when another individual returned to the Communist's residence and picked up the children.

JACOBS cited an instance where he had been contacted by the FBI in connection with the HARRY BRIDGES case and had cooperated with agents by showing them a mass of information which he had gathered regarding BRIDGES. JACOBS stated that he showed the evidence to the agents who were amazed at the volume of it and asked him where he obtained it. JACOBS stated that he then told the agents that he got the information from public libraries.

JACOBS further stated that GUS HALL was not afforded his constitutional rights and that he was literally dragged across the border, rather than going through the regular legal process.

On March 18, 1953, [redacted] (C) (U) furnished substantially the same information as mentioned above.

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On March 19, 1953, [redacted] (C) (U) furnished a report to SA LEONARD AUGUSTSON covering the conference. This report is filed as [redacted] (C) (U) and is set forth as follows:

"Mr. JACOB's speech can be summarized as containing a discussion on the following subjects:

1. Ex-Radicals and Liberals have no foresight as to what the future holds for them. Many of them are aware of certain advantages of their civil liberties but they fail to adhere to them.

2. Condemnation of FBI investigations.
The FBI is not a secret police organization. They do their job of investigating but not very well. Mr. JACOBS recalled an incident when he was an executive member of the CIO, he was approached by the FBI with a request for documentary cases on HARRY BRIDGES. When the same were produced, they were amazed that Mr. JACOBS should have such information in his possession. When asked his source of information, Mr. JACOBS replied: 'The Public Library.' This incident was cited as an example of the inefficiency of the FBI. He also berated the FBI investigation of ARTUKOVICH from Czechoslovakia. Wire tapping by the FBI has grown tremendously.

3. Un-American Activities.
It was Mr. JACOB's contention that investigation by this organization was confusing to him and he objected to the manner in which it was carried out. He cited a Mr. BUTTMAN as an example of discrimination.

"Mr. JACOBS warned the audience that the private citizen's refusal to answer the interrogation of this organization as to his affiliation, past or present, with the Communist Party always resulted in the loss of a job and reflected upon the securing of future employment.

4. Comparison of the student of today with a student in the '30's. Years ago, a student had his rights and could not be restricted by his professors. The contrary is true today, and in order to regain his status, a student should exercise his power of civil liberties and lend encouragement to those who have incurred the disfavor of college administrators by daring to stand up for their rights.

5. Racial Discrimination.

Mr. JACOBS recalled an incident when he had accompanied a Mr. CHARLIE HOUGH (or HUFF) and his wife, both colored, to a bar. When they were departing from the bar, their car was followed by a police car and eventually stopped. Mr. HOUGH was accused of drunk driving but the officers dropped their charge when they saw that he was in the company of Mr. JACOBS who was white. The police officers destroyed two tickets they had written and instead took all three occupants of the car to the police station where they were held 2½ hours and finally released.
Another example: discrimination of CHICO MARX by LARRY DESMOND.

6. Loyalty Oath.

People had a tendency to change their ideals when confronted with the loyalty oath. Many, afraid for their jobs, signed this oath regardless of their past affiliations. Example: a professor in the Economics Department of the campus who immediately signed the oath rather than admit his past membership with a communistic organization.

"Mr. JACOBS concluded his speech, stating that he had no hopes for students and could see no future for them unless they planned a well-organized demonstration of their feelings toward academic freedom, student rights, and University Regulation #17. He stated that to strengthen their organization, they should set up a UCLA branch of the American Civil Liberties Union."

The files of the Los Angeles Office reflect that U. S. Attorney WALTER S. BINNS, on February 21, 1952, advised that he had received an anonymous telephone call, consisting of a statement that one PAUL JACOBS, member of the ACLU, would be a witness for the defense in the prosecution which was then taking place in the trial of the Communist Party leaders in California. Mr. BINNS had no further information regarding PAUL JACOBS.

It is to be noted that PAUL JACOBS did not appear on behalf of the Smith Act defendants, who were on trial in Los Angeles, California.

LA 100-24053

PAUL L. JACOBS, International Representative of the Oil Workers Union, was interviewed by agents of the Los Angeles Office in connection with the investigation of ROBERT FLECKENSTEIN, SM - C subject, at which time JACOBS admitted former membership in the Young Communist League and that he was a former Trotskyite.

By letter dated February 5, 1953, the New York Office supplied a list of subscribers to "The New International," a "Marxist Review", an organ of the ISL. The name PAUL JACOBS, 2018 Preston Avenue, Los Angeles, California, appeared on this list.

The above is furnished for information purposes.

[redacted] further advised that JUSTIN GROSSMAN was Master of Ceremonies and that the following individuals were known to him and attended the meeting:

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BLISS MALCOLM
JUSTIN GROSSMAN
DAVID McREYNOLDS
VERN DAVIDSON
ART _____

It is to be noted that [redacted] furnished information to SA CLARK S. SHOAFF orally on March 16, 1953.

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Portions of the report of [redacted] which were not set forth previously in the letter to the Bureau, are as follows:

"Mr. GROSSMAN thanked Mr. JACOBS for his speech and announced that Mr. MONROE, the second speaker on the agenda, had failed to arrive. The meeting was then adjourned at 1:10 PM for lunch period and all were instructed to re-convene at 2:00 PM.

"At 2:00 PM, the student congregated on the front lawn for an open discussion on student rights. Mr. GROSSMAN presided at this meeting also. Four points were discussed:

1. Personal rights
2. Curricular rights
3. Co-curricular rights
4. Citizenship

[redacted] Mr. MONROE had not arrived. (c) (U)

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"ADDISON BROWN, JR., 4916 Norway, 1937 Pont. Sed., Cal. Lic. # 6 N 52317. Through DMV, the above was identified as a person who attended the meeting at 727 South Westgate, last Saturday, March 14.

"As you recall in conversation, he was the one who interrupted Mr. JACOB's speech and demanded the students to take action instead of talking. (C) (U)

"Following are the names of some of those in attendance: (C) (U)

JUSTIN GROSSMAN	REX BACKUS
VERN DAVIDSON	WIN SALISBURY
LESTER ROSENTHAL	JERRY PLATT
JOAN KUBALIK	DIANA PAULL
ART LIPSON	DAVID KAPLAN
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC DATE: 3/24/53

FROM: SA BERNARR M. PTACEK

CONFIDENTIAL (U)

SUBJECT: ARTS, SCIENCES, & PROFESSIONS COUNCIL
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On 3/13/53 [redacted] (C) (U) furnished SA BERNARR M. PTACEK with a written report dated 3/13/53 concerning the first of the series "The War on Our Culture" which was presented 3/10/53 under the auspices of the ASP at Stanley Hall, 1057 North Stanley, Los Angeles, before an audience of 60 or 70 persons. Informant's report is located in [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

Dr. FRANK WEYMOUTH, chairman, spoke briefly. He referred to the attacks against writers, lawyers, and different segments, which have taken place and said the question now is "What shall we do?" He introduced Dr. EASON MONROE of the American Civil Liberties Union whom he said would discuss with the audience the details and aspects of the cold war on our culture.

Dr. MONROE said that it was ironic and tragic that after two world wars the important question now is "will there be a third world war?" Under DULLES, MONROE said, the war program will be kept moving even if it is necessary to discredit and destroy our colleges and universities.

MONROE talked at length about "McCarthyism" and made the statement that it has never uncovered a single subversive. "McCarthyism is a political gimmick," he said. "It is a fundamental means of destroying every decent program in the interests of controlling the economic lives of the American people --- McCARTHY is entrenching himself --- EISENHOWER has not yet raised his voice against McCARTHY."

There are threee major dangers in McCarthyism, MONROE said. It is infectious and has power like a disease virus. It induces confusion. There is a danger of people growing physically and emotionally tired. If their morale is weakened and the views of the government accepted, the American people will lose their liberties.

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100-44489 (Eason Monroe)
100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)
100-16439 (Frank Wilkinson)
100-36325 (Laura Girard)
100-44402 (Stella Goldberg)
100-32470 (Dora Kolky)
100-28237 (Sallie Alboher)

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The American Civil Liberties Union as 21,000 members nationally and 3,000 locally. Among other things, they are fighting the Smith Act "which is clearly unconstitutional." It is providing legal defense to help academic and non-academic victims said MONROE. A McCarran Committee is being formed this months to take up various cases and carry them to the courts. It will educate people generally and sooner or later it will repeal this act MONROE said.

KFWB radio station is giving 15 minutes of free time every Sunday evening at 6:30 through the generosity of HARRY MAIZLICH (ph). We must be realistic said MONROE. A spirit of courage is gripping the American people. McCARTHY must be overthrown. There are six detention camps set up, MONROE said, and we must stop McCARTHY before there is a mass roundup.

According to MONROE, if we want to preserve American freedoms the mounting resistance must be quick; if a depression occurs we will be close to the concentration camps. Government by WALTER WINCHELL, the FBI, and the Un-American Activities Committee is keeping despots and tyrants in power who are robbing the people of their rights, he said.

"We stand very close to the beginning of a full battle against McCarthyism," said MONROE. "The battle will soon be on and it will be a good fight. Those of us who have more responsibility, the liberals who understand better than our fellows, know what is to be done and how they do it," said MONROE. "Individuals must act courageous - they must join forces with others and write letters of protest and keep resisting at every step as others join with us," he said.

Dr. WEYMOUTH introduced FRANK WILKINSON whom he said would discuss the effect of the cold war on public housing. This was a long tirade which sounded rather hysterical at times, according to informant.

WILKINSON said he had been "booted out" for fighting the real estate lobby and for fighting discrimination against Negroes. There are 10 million American people living in slums, he said, while the real estate lobby is using the cold war to make profits. The cold war is a smoke screen to cover up the actions of reactionary elements in this country to kill off every semblance of social reform and any movement toward social progress. "This damnably vicious lobby advocates force and violence," said WILKINSON.

WILKINSON described his own career in fighting for public housing and said that the people who had supported him were now being investigated. He described the warfare within groups such as veterans organizations, the CIO, and the AFL which he said weakens the strength of these organizations in the fight for public housing. WILKINSON said he had received word that day that he had been eliminated from the National Housing

Authority. He said it would be necessary to join forces in cooperative groups efforts. He asked everyone to write letters to the chairman of Public Health Council, State Assembly, Sacramento. 4

The following people [redacted] (U)

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TO: SAC, DATE 3/26/53

FROM: SA H. R. OVERTON

SUBJECT: ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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On 3/4/53, [redacted] furnished a report to SA H. R. OVERTON. The original report, initialed by informant, is filed in [redacted] This report was taken in dictation from the informant and transcribed by SE E. M. DU CHARME, whose stenotype notes are filed in [redacted] (c) (U) b7D

Informant advised that on [redacted] to go over certain org. questions with the Quin Section. (c) (U) (U)

He was concerned primarily because the Juarez Division is suffering from a lack of forces and he wanted to rob the Quin Section of a few people to staff the Division. (c) (U)

100-26044
HRO:emd b7D (c) (U)
cc [redacted]
100-43386 (SCCATUAC)
100-28048 (Ben Seffinger)
100-24729 (Sol Steinhart)
100-26147 (Leo Baefsky)
100-30798 (Nellie Reichman)
100-31678 (Rosemary Lusher)
100-20992 (Bernie Lusher)
100-23653 (Dave Brown)
100-18391 (Packinghouse Workers Union)
100-19801 (Al Caplan)
100-26173 (Ralph Guaron)
100-31284 (Al Thibedeaux)
100-19548 (Ben Margolis)
100-7378 (Wm. Elconin)

(c) (U)

100-3267 (ACLU)
100-23755 (Pamphlets & Publications)
100-26045 (Dom. Adm. Issues)
100-5448 (UE)

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They didn't reach any agreement on it. He proposed they be given SOL STEINHART or LEO BAEFSKY. They want one or the other. [redacted] offered them NELLIE REICHMAN. (U)

The discussed also the fact that as a result of an earlier meeting [redacted] with ROSEMARY LUSHER [redacted] that the night before a man from the Un-American Committee home come to their house with a subpoena for BERNIE LUSHER, and should he, LUSHER, hide out and refuse to accept the subpoena, or should he be made available for it. [redacted] take the normal precautions but if he got caught he could not dodge it. [redacted] endorsed this. (U)

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The proposals for handling the Un-American Committee when it does come are as follows: There is a meeting for tomorrow night at the home of DAVE BROWN, 706 N. Soto, to finalize some of the labor plans on this. Informant did not know how BROWN became active in this. They plan a trade union conference on 4/11/53 at the Packinghouse Workers Hall, 1019 S. Grand, provided they get the agreement of the Packinghouse Workers Union to lend their facilities; an Embassy Aud. mass meeting to prepare the mobilization to take place during the time the committee is in town. For that meeting they propose AL CAPLAN from ILWU to chair it, RALPH CUARON, secretary, so that the proper things get into the minutes, AL THIBEDEAUX, BEN MARGOLIS and BILL ELCONIN to be speakers. On 4/10/53, the American Civil Liberties Union is planning a mass meeting; on 4/27/53 the Citizens Committee (believed to be the So. Calif. Council to Abolish the Un-American Committee) is planning an affair of some sort. This represents a widespread series of meetings. Informant did not know why they put these things over until April, and informant stated the Committee may be gone by then if everybody refuses to answer the questions. There will be leaflets put out by the Committee. The U.E. is responsible for getting them made up and making them available to the unions. This is all being handled by the piecards. The piecards usually work these things out and then look around for somebody to do the work. (U)

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4/9/53

SA JOHN D. WALLACE

ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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A written report was received personally from [redacted] on 3/23/53, by SA JOHN D. WALLACE. This report is located in [redacted] and states as follows: (C) (U)

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[redacted] ASP discussion 3/10/53, at 1057 No. Stanley. The discussion was on the "War on Our Culture" and the chairman was Dr. FRANK WEYMOUTH. Dr. EASON MONROE was main speaker on "Our Civil Liberties." Mr. FRANK WILKERSON is the recently removed housing official. (C) (U)

Dr. MONROE's theme was an optimistic build-up to continue the ACLU fight giving the history of the Civil Liberties Union in its 32 years. He stated its success and the extent of its support of people's liberties. Its panacea was public education and constant vigilance. He cited 20 anti-liberties measures in Sacramento which should be defeated. (C) (U)

We must stop McCARTHISM before we land in the 6 prepared concentration camps for which the McCarthy Act provides legal means. (C) (U)

Record of ACLU fighting Dies Committee, Un-American Committee and for "Hollywood 10" was cited. (C) (U) (U)

FRANK WILKERSON was bitter about the subversion of the public housing program which is being scuttled by real estate lobby. He blamed money for slow machinery for public housing. We must fight against the 8 anti-housing measures in Legislature. He was bitter and vindictive and hurt about his release from housing office after his years of faithful service. (C) (U)

The next meeting will be held 3/25/53, at 1607½ So. Sierra Bonita. (C) (U)

JDW:mm
100-18355
cc: [redacted]
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-42713 (E. Monroe)
100-40685 (F. Weymouth)
100-16439 (F. Wilkerson)

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 4-8-1953

FROM : James G. Lindsay SA

SUBJECT: Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn

Dr. Meiklejohn to Talk

Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn, former president of Amherst College, will speak at a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union Friday night at 4050 Pico Blvd. The meeting will commemorate the 210th anniversary of the birthdate of Thomas Jefferson.

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DAC, 4/13/53

SA WILLIAM J. HOLAN

LOS ANGELES CITIZENS COMMITTEE
FOR FREEDOM IN EDUCATION
INTERNAL SECURITY [redacted]

On 3/9/53, [redacted] furnished a typewritten report concerning the following to SE E. M. DU CHARME, which report is filed in 66-2923A-622. b7D

Informant advised that on 3/3/53 a meeting of subject organization was held at Larchmont Hall, L. A.; that approximately 40 people were present.

Informant advised that Mrs. DOROTHY MARSHALL, temporary chairman of subject organization acted as chairman. She outlined the purposes of subject organization, stating that this committee was formed for the express purpose to give support to academic freedom in the L. A. schools. She cited the two recent violations of academic freedom: The cases of Mrs. FRANCES EISENBERG and JEAN B. WILKINSON. She stated that she understood that 40 other teachers are to be called before the Board of Education on similar charges.

Mrs. MARSHALL introduced Miss MARION E. GRAFF, who stated that those that had attended the two previous meetings would receive cards re the formation of a permanent steering committee. She stated that the next meeting of this committee will be held on 3/17/53 at 456 S. Detroit (the residence of FAY GARON).

Prof. FRANK WEYMOUTH, spoke, and stated that something must be done about the witchhunts now being carried out throughout the nation. He read excerpts from a UNESCO pamphlet, citing also

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cc 66-2923A-622 [redacted] b7D
100-43651 (D. Marshall)
100-43962 (F. Eisenberg)
100-25481 (J. Wilkinson)
100-31409 (M. Graff)
100-40585 (F. Weymouth)
100-40180 (Don Marshall)
100-23519 (Wm. Esterman)
100-34446 (Robt. Kenny)
121-5263 (Don L. Hand)
14-172 (Lowell H. Coate)
100-3267 (ADLU)
100-44227 (D. Goldsmith)
100-44834 (United Citz. for Better Schools)
100-25772 (Rosalind Bates)

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of the UN, etc. He stated that the cause of the teaching profession is directly tied in with world peace; that out of confusion comes hysteria and the suppression of free thinking by the teachers. Teachers should be allowed to give an expression of their thinking without fear of reprisals and the signing of loyalty oaths.

DAN MARSHALL was the next speaker, and spoke on the legal angles in the case of the two teachers recently under attack by the Board of Education. He stated that the Levering Act Oath, which the teachers took, upon employment, cannot be given orally again; that this was upheld by the Calif. Supreme Court. He stated that the attorneys working with him are WILLIAM B. ENTENMAN and ROBERT KENNY.

DON L. HEAD read a newspaper clipping from the L. A. Daily News which stated that the magazines "The Nation and New Republic" are to be banned in L. A. Schools. A motion was made by the chairman for people in the audience to MORRIS G. BLAIR, Assoc. Supt. of Schools, protesting the banning of these publications.

Another motion was made to select permanent members of the steering committee. At this time Dr. LONELL H. COATE of the American Civil Liberties Union stated that his organization would be glad to cooperate. Mrs. MARSHALL stated she was glad this organization would cooperate because they were more experienced and would be better equipped to solve problems.

A Mrs. GOLDSMITH was the next speaker (she is possibly MURIEL JEAN STARK GOLDSMITH, relief substitute teacher.) Mrs. GOLDSMITH stated she was from the L. A. Federation of Teachers and that she had tickets for sale for the mental hygiene films to be shown on 3/20/53 at the Aeronautic Aud., 7660 Beverly Blvd.

Mrs. MARSHALL stated that 2 students from Fairfax High would make the collection. She said they are from the newly formed FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL organization called STUDENTS COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM IN EDUCATION, formed to get the Board of Education to drop the cases against BISHBERG and WILKINSON. She stated that the donation would be taken in little "red" schoolhouses, donated by the United Citizens Committee for Better Schools.

The last speaker was ROLAND MILLER, head of United Citizens Committee for Better Schools, hq at 2318 S. Hoover. He stated his organization is supporting Mrs. CARMELLA J. BARNES, Mrs. ROSALIND BATES and Rev. GEORGE HASKELL. J.E. BECK stood up at this point and mentioned methods of raising funds for the committee.

Mrs. BISHELLE and Mrs. WILKINSON were present in the audience and were introduced by Mrs. MARSHALL. Mrs. MARSHALL stated that everyone hand in cards with their names, addresses and phone numbers in order that everyone would be notified of forth coming meetings. She stated that this organization has a mailing list of near 1400.

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EDUCATOR SEES TURN IN TIDE TOWARD FREEDOM, JUSTICE

By SARA BOYNOFF
Daily News Staff Writer

The world is not on the verge of collapse; it is at the edge of a beginning and the beginning of something great.

Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn, 81, one of America's most distinguished educators, philosophers and civil libertarians, brought that hopeful message here today, though conceding that appearance might be to the contrary.

"We've had these things before, these hysterical and maniacal outbursts," he said, referring to the current welter of investigations into alleged subversion and the labeling of all dissenting thought as Communist, "but our body politic is not permanently maniacal.

"The question is not will it end, but how will it end?

"IT SEEMS to me the tide is turning—or at least some of the currents.

"I think all this business is just the beginning of something. The world gives me the impression not of breaking down but of gathering itself for something in the interests of justice and freedom. The world is coming together for some concerted action and for improvement in our social relations."

Dr. Alexander Meklejohn will be the main speaker tonight at 8 o'clock at a meeting of the Southern California chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. The meeting will be in the Forum Theater, 4050 Pico Blvd. Admission price is $1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

These great forces are at work in America, Dr. Meiklejohn said, as is evident from the expenditures this nation has been willing to make on behalf of world betterment.

"WE'VE GOT A vague notion there's something worth fighting for and we've put enormous amounts into it," he said.

This is true, he continued, despite the fact that hatred reigns at the present time.

"Hatred is killing the world just now. It has been built up in the last few years. When will we get out of this current situation? When we stop hating and begin to think reasonably again," he said.

Dr. Meiklejohn, president-emeritus of Amherst College, came here from his Berkeley home to be the main speaker at 8 p. m. today at a meeting sponsored by the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union commemorating the 210th birthday anniversary of Thomas Jefferson.

Dr. Meiklejohn is a member of the ACLU National Committee.

ANOTHER SPEAKER at the meeting, to be held in the Forum Theater, 4050 Pico Blvd., is Paul Price, radio and TV columnist of the Daily News.

Dr. Meiklejohn, who will speak on "The Supreme Court and Civil Liberties," (Mr. Price will speak on "Censorship Trends"), said membership in the ACLU is growing throughout the nation, and not just among the "egg-heads."

"All kinds of people" are joining the nation's best known and most respected civil liberties organization, he said.

"People are looking for issues and here they find something very clear and, in its own limited way, very promising," Dr. Meiklejohn said.

LAST YEAR'S attack on the organization by the American Legion only spurred membership, he continued, for the reason that many Americans are seeking some means by which to combat the current hysteria.

"Nobody can do anything in the sense of specific acts," Dr. Meiklejohn said kindly. "We can only try to understand the situation and wait for the time of action to come. Above all, we must not give up."

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SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN, JR. (U)

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RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE AGAINST
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In a report made available to the writer on 3/13/53, [redacted] advised of the below-listed function. The original of this report is filed in [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

The report referred to above concerned a meeting of the Committee Against Loyalty Oaths in Housing, held at [redacted] There were [redacted] and [redacted] and the purpose of the meeting was to inform the members of the Committee of the success of the fight against Loyalty Oaths and Housing. Each project was represented by one or more persons and they are to take back to their projects the committee's proposals. These proposals were as follows: (C) (U)

It was decided there would be 20 leaflets drawn up and 5,000 would be given to the representatives of the projects for distribution to residents. Another 15,000 would be given to progressive organizations and unions. The total cost of these leaflets would be approximately $105, and a dance would be arranged to cover the expenses of the Committee. Informant further advised that the Emma Lazarus Club (JPFO IWO Club) had donated the sum of $25 for the Committee. [redacted] (U) the meeting was uneventful because the only thing of importance was the fact that the decision of loyalty oaths would be held up pending a hearing from Washington, D.C. to the Housing Administration in L.A. Informant advised that the American Civil Liberties Union had secured a restraining order. (C) (U) b7D

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100-44645 b7D
cc: [redacted]
100-18758 (MORANDA SMITH DIV.)
100-1784 (EMMA LAZARUS DIV., JPFO)
100-3267 (AM. CIVIL LIBERTIES UN.)
100-34640 (SYDNEY MOORE, JR.) (C) (U)

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SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN, JR.

COMMUNIST PARTY INFILTRATION
OF THE LA HOUSING AUTHORITY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

In a report made available to SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN, JR., on February 17, 1953 [redacted] advised that on February 1, 1953, JACK TENNER met with a delegation from the Del Rio Housing Project at 5505 Long Beach Avenue to discuss the present requirements of the Los Angeles Housing Authority for Federal Housing that each person therein should sign a Loyalty Oath. (C) (U) b7D

At this meeting the Chairman was JIMMIE YORK and the co-Chairman was the Reverend DAVID HANKERSON. TENNER, as the featured speaker, assured persons assembled that they would not be put out of the project because they refused to sign a Loyalty Oath. He stated that such oaths were to be tested in court within the next few days, and as long as it was being tested it could not be enforced. He further advised that if anyone should receive an eviction notice they should contact him immediately. (C) (U)

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100-19084
cc: [redacted] (C) (U) b7D
(100-3267) (AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)
100-18758 (MORANDA SMITH DIVISION)
100-35127 (JACK TENNER) (C) (U)

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SA CLARK S. SHOAFF

SOCIALIST YOUTH LEAGUE
INTERNAL SECURITY - SYL

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On 3/18/53, [redacted] (C) (U) orally advised SA CLARK S. SHOAFF that Saturday, 3/14/53, he attended the morning session of a conference sponsored by the Vanguard Club at UCLA.

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The informant stated that [redacted] BLISS MALCOLM, who was in charge of passing out literature at the conference. (C) (U)

[redacted] MALCOLM as a fellow member of an Army Reserve MID-Detachment in Los Angeles and that MALCOLM had been dismissed from the MID on 3/13/53. (C) (U)

The informant advised that PAUL JACOBS, a representative of the ACLU, spoke at the conference and cited one instance where the FBI had been outsmarted by a Communist, and another where JACOBS had amazed FBI agents with records he had gathered in connection with the HARRY BRIDGES Case, and when asked where he had gotten them stated, from public libraries.

CSS:mm
100-24053
cc: 66-1854A [redacted] (C) (U)
100-45069 (B. Malcolm)
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-41391 (P. Jacobs)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC DATE: March 23, 1953

FROM: SA JOHN E. COYNE

SUBJECT: UCLA CLUB
LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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[redacted] personally furnished a written report, dated March 10, 1953, to SA JOHN E. COYNE, which was received March 13, 1953, concerning a meeting of the [redacted] the UCLA Club, LYL, [redacted] from 8:00 to 10:15 P.M. The original informant's report is filed in [redacted] (C) (U)

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It was announced that individual subscriptions to "Challenge" must be obtained by March 15 in order to fill the 15 per cent quota. (C) (U)

A non-members class will be held at 1701½ Morton Avenue, near Echo Park. (C) (U)

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cc: [redacted]
100-43853 (A. SILVERS) (C) (U)
100-44444 (G. MOORE)
100-43741 (L. PITT)
100-32295 (E. THORP)
100-24346 (YOUTH MATTERS)
100-33633 (NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL)
100-new (RICK RUDOLF)
100-new (ROBIN WILLNER) (C) (U)
100-328[illegible]3 (E. BLANK)
100-32199 (UCLA COMMUNIST MATTERS)
100-24345 (NEGRO QUESTION)
100-44489 (E. MONROE) (C) (U)
100-3267 (AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)

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LENNIE (PITT) should be discussed by the Graduate Bruin Team because of his lack of mass organizational work. His false sense of security should also be pointed out. (C) (U)

Regarding the fight for Negro rights, the Committee of the CSU (Council for Student Unity) on the Negro History Week will speak to an under-Dean at UCLA to get approval for the program which includes an off-campus speaker, displays and a free concert by a mixed community orchestra in Royce Hall. (C) (U)

Baby-sitters are still needed for Fridays and Sundays for the young woman who is in the play "A Medal For Willie", and who resides at 650 West 59th Place. (C) (U)

The Negro Woman of the Year contest, sponsored by the Negro Labor Council, will be looked into for possible participation by the LYL. (C) (U)

GENE BLANK should be contacted concerning developments on the campus regarding the Rosenberg Forum and Regulation #17. Each team should take action to involve their mass organizations around these two issues. (C) (U)

GEORGE MOORE, Organizational Secretary, UCLA Club, LYL, gave a report in which he stated a serious discussion should take place by the various teams regarding the poor attendance at the UCLA Club-wide Conference. (C) (U)

(C) (U)

Regarding the functions of the various offices, MOORE stated that the club chairman should report on the political perspectives of the Club so that they may be brought down to the members. The organizational secretary should report on the organization itself. The educational director should report on educationals and literature. (C) (U)

MOORE stated that team captains should give an accurate account of the various teams regarding moral perspectives and so forth. These reports should all be correlated with the ideology and struggle of the club. (C) (U)

It was stated that the LYL is set up to operate on Democratic Centralism. There should be elections of all leading bodies from the highest to the lowest, and there should be periodical reports from these bodies. (C) (U)

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There should be strict discipline and subordination of the minority to the majority. The decisions of the higher bodies should have a binding character. There should be autonomy in the decisions of the lower bodies except when there is a conflict with the higher bodies. (C) (U)

MOORE stated that free discussion on questions in the organization must be conscious and not mechanical. (C) (U)

A criticism will be made of "Lefty" (ROBIN WILLNER) and ED THORP for lack of activity. (C) (U)

It was announced that the "Vanguards" are holding an all-day conference at which the speakers will be (EASON) MONROE and JERRY FOX, of the Civil Liberties Union participating. (C) (U)

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TO : SAC DATE: February 20, 1953

FROM : SA EURL P. MIDDENDORF

SUBJECT: SOUTHEAST PEACE CLUB
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On 1/8/53 [redacted] personally furnished the writer a written report, which report is located in [redacted] This was a report on the general business meeting of instant club held [redacted] at the home of [redacted] (C) (U)

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EPM:MAL
100-46394
cc: [redacted] b7D
100-30441 (PAUL WILSON)
100-30472 (BETH WILSON)
100-23851 (DOROTHY PLATT) (C) (U)
100-44498 (ROSE MELTZER)
100-31881 (BETTY LEONARD)
100-37800 (PETER MUDRY)
100-36516 (FRANK LATZKO)
100-35265 (MARY LATZKO)
100-44479 (HELEN COOPER)
100-44535 (ELIZABETH DALSIMER)
100-21923 (LOIS KING)
100-3267 (AM. CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)

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Nomination of officers was held at this meeting. An election was to be held at the meeting on February 4. The nominations were as follows: (U)

Chairman--HELEN LEWIS
ROSE MELTZER (declined)
Vice Chairman--HELEN COOPER
Financial Secretary--FRANK LATZKO
Recording & Correspondence Secretary--DOROTHY PLATT
ELIZABETH DALSIMER
BETTY LEONARD
Program & Publicity Chairman-- (Elect 2)
BETH WILSON
ROSE MELTZER
BETTY LEONARD
LOIS KING (Not in attendance)

The club is conducting a contest among the members to change the name of the club. The prize is to be a ticket to the DuBOIS dinner on February 20, 1952. (U)

A chain letter dreamed up by MORRY MELTZER and introduced by his wife ROSE took the group by storm. A committee composed of PETER MUDRY and OSCAR DEVEREAUX is handling details of mailing this letter to all the contacts of the group. Informant is working with them on this project. (U)

The January 31 program tentatively will feature Dr. EASTON MONROE, President of the American Civil Liberties Union, and VERN PARTLO, guitar playing folk singer. If MONROE can not make it, MARTIN HALL or AVERILL BERMAN are next on the list. (U)

Reverend GEORGE SMILEY will be invited to speak on the Fellowship of Reconciliation at the February 4 meeting. (U)

A letter published in the "Korean Independent" from a Private BUNDY, prisoner of war in Korea, to his mother in Huntington Park was read by DOROTHY PLATT. BETTY LEONARD and informant are assigned to call on Mrs. BUNDY to try to interest her in the Southeast Peace Club. (U)

FRANK LATZKO reported on the activities of the Rosenberg Defense Committee. He said that well over $5,000 was collected before the delegates left on January 3, 1953 for Washington, D.C. Seventy-four people went to Washington (U)

and the committee must meet $20,000 expenses for the trip. (U)

Informant, as the representative of the Southeast Peace Club, was assigned to be a delegate to the Los Angeles Convention of the Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born on February 7, 1953 at the Park Manor Hotel. (U)

The next business meeting of the Southeast Peace Club will be [redacted] (U) b7D [redacted] RUSSELL and PERCY McDAVID as new members of the club. (U)

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Commemorating the 210th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson, the Southern California branch of the American Civil Liberties Union invites you to hear

DR. ALEXANDER MEIKLEJOHN
President emeritus, Amherst College
Member of the National Committee, A.C.L.U.

"The Supreme Court and Civil Liberties"

Date Friday Evening, April 10th

Time 8:00 p. m.

Place Forum Theatre
4050 W. Pico Blvd.

Admission General $1.00
Students .50
(including tax)

PAUL PRICE
Radio-Television Editor,
Los Angeles Daily News

"Censorship Trends"

EDMUND W. COOKE, *Chairman*

Double the strength of A.C.L.U....
Support the membership drive...
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"I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

Th Jefferson

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH
534 Douglas Building, 257 South Spring Street
Los Angeles 12, California

April 6, 1953

Los Angeles--

Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn, former president of Amherst College, and Mr. Paul Price, radio and TV editor of the Los Angeles Daily News, will be featured speakers on Friday evening, April 10, at a meeting sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California.

This meeting will commemorate the 210th anniversary of the birthdate of Thomas Jefferson, and will open the 1953 spring ACLU membership drive.

Dr. Meiklejohn, a distinguished American scholar-educator and an authority on government, will speak on "The Supreme Court and Civil Liberties." Price, popular newspaper columnist, will speak on "Censorship Trends."

Edmund W. Cooke, local attorney and vice-president of the local branch of ACLU will be chairman.

The meeting will be held at the Forum Theater, 4050 Pico Boulevard, in Los Angeles, starting at 8 p.m. The public is invited. Admission is one dollar; students, fifth cents.

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COMPLAINT FORM

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
Subject's Name and Aliases

Dep Shf. William Solas
Name of Complainant

Ventura County SO, Ventura
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

Telephone Number of Complainant

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Character of Case

4/6/53
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Comp. stated he observed a letter brought to the office by a man he wishes to remain anonymous to the effect that Dr. Eason Monroe, director of the Southern Calif. Branch of captione organization was going to speak at the Methodist Church/1338 SantaClara Ventura next Sunday. The letter was addressed to Electrical Workers Local #952 ~~1338~~ 2653 Loma Vista, Ventura ~~xxxx~~ was dated 3/20/53 and signed by Robert Eaton. The letter was written on stationery of the Methodist Church. Solas advised the letter was on file at the Union office.

Frank Worden, Adjutant, Oakview Post American Legion advised this date thta his post had members attending the forthcoming meeting to watch what goes on.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

Index, file. No action.

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COMPLAINT FORM

American Civil Liberties Union
Subject's Name and Aliases

Daniel R. Parker
Name of Complainant
175-A - E. Sierra Madre, CA
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

Telephone Number of Complainant

Character of Case

4-16-53 - 10 pm
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant asked telephonically if above captioned organization was subversive. Confidential nature of FBI files explained to Mr. Parker.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

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ACLU Asks Nix On Radio-TV-Film Coverage Till Congressional Probes Adopt 'Fair' Rules

Washington, April 12. — Filming, broadcasting and televising of legislative hearings and sessions, including those of Congress, should be barred until the legislative bodies adopt fair rules of procedure, according to a statement released today by the American Civil Liberties Union.

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Policy statement also opposed film, radio or TV coverage of courtroom proceedings at present.

ACLU said in part — "A legislature should decide what publicity media may cover its sessions" and recommended "enlarged use of the three types under consideration." But because of danger that listeners and viewers may be confronted with privileged slander which may be uttered in legislative halls, the ACLU once again urges the immediate adoption of legislative rules of responsible and ethical debate.

"TV, radio and film coverage of courtroom proceedings might tend to impair the safeguards of due process and the insuring of fair play to all persons affected . . . We conclude that courtroom proceedings should not at this time be covered by motion pictures or by television or radio." ACLU also advanced recommendations to the broadcasters covering hearings. They emphasize the right of persons "attacked in legislative sessions to reply, that the network or station should inform the public that the session is not a judicial process or trial; witnesses under subpoena should be given an appropriate opportunity after their appearance before a committee to make a brief statement; the network should announce when statements of witnesses or persons attacked will be made; and all witnesses should be given fair treatment in terms of camera technique."

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TO: SAC DATE: 4/23/53

FROM: SA ROBERT R. CARMICHAEL, JR.

SUBJECT: LACSJRC
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On 4/13/53 SA ROBERT R. CARMICHAEL, JR. personally received from [redacted] a written report containing the following information which is located in [redacted] (C) (U)

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On [redacted] BRIAN WEINBERG a lawyer, in his office at the Bay Cities Building, Santa Monica, California, concerning the Amicus Brief for the ROSENBERG case. [redacted] LILLIAN KESSLER. (C) (U)

WEINBERG would not sign the Brief; however, he did [redacted] a B'Nai Brith affair. He advised [redacted] but [redacted] energies into better affairs; that this "ROSENBERG thing" was strictly a Communist-made hot potato. (C) (U)

Later in the day [redacted] HILDA POULSON [redacted] POULSON was quite pleased, inasmuch as this is helpful [redacted] (C) (U)

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On [redacted] MIKE KESSLER and HILDA POULSON to a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union at the Forum Theater, Los Angeles. Having been advised of this meeting by BEA GREENWALD [redacted] HILDA POULSON seemed acquainted with a number of them. For this reason she believed the progressive element was well represented at the above meeting. Of those present [redacted] the following: (C) (U)

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100-41648
cc: [redacted]
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-27055 (H. POULSON)
100-31413 (D. GREENWALD)
100-32877 (J. BERMAN)
100-34234 (L. KESSLER)
100-34949 (B. MARGOLESE)
100-36474 (L. MARGOLESE)
100-32863 (M. KESSLER)

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organize a mobilization which took place Sunday, 4/12/(53) at the Municipal Auditorium in Santa Monica (ROSENBERG); however, informant was unable to attend and does not know who was present. (U)

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SA THOMAS E. DYAR

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On 3/31/53 LESLIE H. ABERCROMBIE called this Office concerning subject (see complaint 100-18758-1457).

On 4/13/53 ABERCROMBIE was interviewed at the Lamm Hotel, 715 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, by SA HERBERT E. HOXIE and SA THOMAS E. DYAR.

Complainant repeated the information set forth in the above complaint and stated that EDELMAN had been arrested 29 times, the most recent of which was in connection with passing out literature concerning the ROSENBERG case.

According to complainant, EDELMAN stated in a speech in Pershing Square (exact date unknown) that he had formerly been a member of the CP, but was no longer a member. He stated that all his actions now, including the passing out of ROSENBERG leaflets, was backed by the American Civil Liberties Union.

In connection with the "new group" referred to in the above complaint (100-18758-1457) which was formed to play on the sympathy of retired persons, ABERCROMBIE had no first-hand knowledge concerning the group, but stated that a JOHN MAUPIN, address in Los Angeles unknown but who formerly lived at the California Hotel, 1907 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, might be able to furnish more information concerning this group.

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cc - 100-41648 (Rosenberg Comm.)
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100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)

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TO: SAC

DATE: April 24, 1953

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FROM: SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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INASMUCH AS THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM A LIVE INFORMANT, GREAT CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING SAME.

On March 3, 1953, [redacted] made available for photographing by SA JAMES E. RINKS and SA ROMNEY STEWART a box of index cards [redacted] These cards, which were arranged alphabetically, are, according to informant, "Heads of Committees" of the Rosenberg Committee in the Los Angeles area. In most instances, no information except the name and address of the individual is available, whereas in other instances, the individual is further identified by his connection with another organization to which he belongs or the district in which he may be assigned. (C) (U)

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The index cards represent over 300 individuals and several organizations. A copy of this memorandum is being included in the file of each of the individuals, containing the information on the card pertaining to that particular person, as follows: (C) (U)

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
257 Spring Street
LA

The photographs, together with the negatives, are being included in the exhibit section of the Rosenberg file, namely, 100-41648-1B10. (C) (U)

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100-41648
cc: [redacted] (C) (U) b7D
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TO : SAC

DATE: 4/27/53

FROM : SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
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On 4/17/53 SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO received via mail from [redacted] (whose identity should be concealed) a typed one-page report concerning [redacted] the offices of Spray, Gould and Bowers, Attorneys, 1671 Wilshire Boulevard, in the office of Mr. BRADISH of that firm. [redacted] b7D

[redacted] was in connection with a civil suit pending [redacted] as the outcome of [redacted] which has been previously described in the administrative section of informant's file. [redacted] stated that Lawyer KENNEY (ROBERT KENNEY) is representing [redacted] in the suit which RAIDEN (Lawyer the ACLU assigned to handle [redacted] matter) has against [redacted] One of the lawyers remarked that KENNEY has a $50,000 retainer from the Hollywood 10. Someone else remarked that KENNEY pretended to be doing all of this leftist legal work from altruistic motives.

[redacted] put in a remark about ESTERMAN. One of the lawyers stated that ESTERMAN got only the business KENNEY or MARGOLIS did not take (BEN MARGOLIS).

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cc: [redacted] b7D

100-34446 (R. KENNEY)
100-25519 (W. ESTERMAN)
100-19548 (B. MARGOLIS)

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On 4/14/53 SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO received via mail from [redacted] a one-page written report which is filed in [redacted] concerning a conversation which was had with [redacted] Informant also mentioned that he had seen FRANK WILKINSON at the American Civil Liberties Union meeting on April 10, 1953. [redacted] stated that WILKINSON is very amusing and witty. (C) (U)

She stated that [redacted] by a Mr. and Mrs. JOHN CROWE, at which FRANK and JEAN WILKINSON were present. She also said that JOHN CROWE is apparently a Dartmouth graduate, about 28 years of age, who is studying law, supposedly at UCLA. He is a protoge of BOB MORRIS, who [redacted] says is another Dartmouth main who shares law offices with (ROBERT) KENNEY, located on the North side of Temple Street, which is east of Figueroa. (C) (U) b7D

She also spoke of one WRIGHT, first name unknown, another Dartmouth graduate. [redacted] stated that JOHN CROWE and MORRIS were also present at the ACLU meeting on April 10, 1953. (C) (U) (U)

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cc: [redacted] (C) (U) b7D
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-25481 (J. WILKINSON)
100-41593 (R. MORRIS)
100-34446 (R. KENNEY) (C) (U)

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On 4/9/53 SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO received via mail from [redacted] [redacted] the following item from the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council Headquarters. This item is filed in [redacted] and is a printed announcement in the form of an invitation from Artkino Pictures for a festival of Polish motion pictures at the Maynard Theater, 2488 West Washington Boulevard. (c) (U)

On 4/13/53 SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO received from [redacted] via mail, two items which informant obtained from a meeting of the ACLU on April 10, 1953. These items are filed in [redacted] respectively and are as follows: (c) (U)

1. Throwaway entitled "Twenty Questions on Civil Liberties". u

2. ACLU Legislative Bulletin. u

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cc: 100-18355 (ASP)
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COMPLAINT FORM

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American Civil Liberties Union
Subject's Name and Aliases

Dr. Wm Meyer Wanamaker
Name of Complainant

L.A. City College
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

NO 3-3201
Telephone Number of Complainant

Character of Case

4-27-53; 9:20 AM
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Desired info as to whether ACLU is on AG's list of subversive organiz. Was advised that we do not have this info for public dissemination.
Referred Wanamaker to Civil Service Commission or Govt Printing Office.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES DATE: 4/27/53

FROM : SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
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On 4/13/53 SA LOUIS DONALD DAMATO received via mail from [redacted] (whose name should be kept confidential), a five-page hand-written report concerning the meeting of the above organization, which informant attended at the Forum Theater, 4050 West Pico Boulevard, at 8:00 PM, April 10, 1953. The original report is filed in [redacted] (C) (U)

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[redacted] (C) (U) advised that there were from 700 to 800 persons present and admission was $1. As he went in, he noticed Lawyer MARSHALL (probably DAN MARSHALL) and PAUL MAJOR. ELSIE ARONSON was there [redacted] STELLA GOLDBERG. (C) (U) b7D

EDMUND COOKE was chairman. EASON MONROE spoke as did PAUL PRICE. He mentioned, among other things, the way conservatives and reactionaries take action swiftly against such commentators as CHET HUNTLEY and DREW PEARSON. PRICE described the type of action taken.

MEIKLEJOHN spoke very incoherently. Other persons present were: FRANK WILKINSON, AL CURTIS or KURTIS, a Chicago lawyer and ACLU member with two daughters. CURTIS stated he comes to Los Angeles occasionally on business for a week or so. He arrived 4/13 and will leave 4/15/53. He is also an old friend of ELSIE ARONSON. (C) (U)

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100-40180 (D. MARSHALL)
100-32249 (P. MAJOR)
100-45418 (E. ARONSON)
100-44402 (S. GOLDBERG)
100-42713 (E. MONROE)
100-16417 (P. PRICE)
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)
100-27934 (M. WAGNER)

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MURRAY WAGNER was also present at the meeting. [redacted] ELSIE ARONSON. REVA GRANT [redacted] ELSIE and REVA mentioned a forum on Saturday, 4/11/53, in which DOROTHY FRANK would take part; also a $5 dinner to raise funds for some cause unknown to [redacted] also mentioned that at the meeting, members of the ACLU were asked to raise their hands. ARONSON and GOLDBERG did not raise their hands. (U)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC DATE: 5/12/53

FROM : SA ROBERT R. CARMICHAEL, JR.

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
IS - C

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ (U)

On 5/5/53 a written report was received through the mail by SA ROBERT R. CARMICHAEL from [redacted] which contains the following information and is located in [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

[redacted] BESS FREIDMAN's home (139 Hart Street, Santa Monica, California) with HARPER POULSON, GERTRUDE AVERS and MARION KRUPIN. She stated that an earlier meeting (Rosenberg) had been held by HARPER POULSON, BESS FREIDMAN, LILLIAN KESSLER and a MARY FREIDMAN (described in informant's report.) (C) (U) (U)

HARPER POULSON outlined the county-wide conference for council of inquiry into the Rosenberg case. POULSON had [redacted] in a previous conversation that he was politically responsible for the above-mentioned county-wide conference. (C) (U) b7D

POULSON further [redacted] he had written the draft call on the announcing leaflet (concerning the above county-wide conference) [redacted] in contacting people to attend this conference, [redacted] "put words into the mouths of Dr. FRITCHMAN of the Unitarian Church, HUGO WESTON, also a Unitarian minister, GREGORY DuBOFF, Nuclear Physicist at Cal Tech and DAN MARSHALL." (C) (U)

RRC:cla
100-41648 b7D
cc: [redacted]
100-24183 (B. FREIDMAN)
100-23897 (H. POULSON)
100-25342 (G. AVERS)
100-34234 (L. KESSLER)
100-24642 (S. FRITCHMAN)
100-23442 (G. DuBOFF)
100-40180 (D. MARSHALL)
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-33759 (A. LISHNER)
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[redacted] POULSON to give the following type of pitch: [redacted] I am calling for Mr. ROBERT MORSE, JR., of the American Civil Liberties Union, and I am taking the liberty of phoning to ascertain whether the material concerning the council of inquiry into the Rosenberg case reached you, etc., and ask them to co-sponsor the meeting." Rosenberg material had previously been mailed out to those persons called in this program. (U)

[redacted] telephone calls was very antagonistic, except for one ARTHUR LISHNER, 111420 Kingsland Avenue, Los Angeles 34, who, according to HILDA POULSON, was an unfriendly witness before the HCUA. (U) b7D

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A copy of the above announcement concerning the county-wise conference for a council in inquiry containing the draft call written by POULSON is located in [redacted] (U)

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TO : SAC

DATE: 5/13/53

FROM : SA JOSEPH R. CONLON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
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On 5/5/53 [redacted] personally furnished SA JOSEPH R. CONLON with a written report concerning a meeting of the captioned organization held on 4/10/53 with members from the Progressive Womens Educational Club being present. Informant's original report is located in [redacted] (C) (U)

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PAUL PRICE talked about pressure groups, "Liberty Bells" (Belles), "Freedom Club", etc., who use pressure to get a person who does not agree with their way of thinking off the air. PRICE remarked that these pressure groups should not be silenced since everyone had a right to be heard, but it was well to know how they worked and who they are so that people would not be mistakenly influenced by their methods. (C) (U)

DR. MIKLEJOHN spoke on the Supreme Court decision handed down by Justice FRANKFURTER concerning the question whether the Bill of Rights is a part of the Constitution. (C) (U)

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cc: [redacted]
100-40441 (P. PRICE)
100-40452 (P. COE)
100-35562 (M. BUCKMASTER) (C) (U)
100-21631 (L. COE)
100-43948 (PROGRESSIVE WOMENS EDUCATIONAL & GARDEN CLUB)

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MIKLEJOHN said that only the Government, which consists of the people, has the right to legislate the first amendment out of existence. He said people, if they are to govern, must politically govern those who legally govern them, and the legislature is being kept subject to the authority of a free people. Politically the law-makers are the servant of the people -- original power is in the sovereign people and the Government has the power to destroy freedom, but Congress has not, MIKLEJOHN pointed out. (C) (U)

After the meeting was over PEARL COE told about the FBI calling all the time in relation to a neighbor of hers. She remarked she was not sure just what to do, whether to continue to be friendly or tell them she did not want to be bothered anymore. (C)

MABLE BUCKMASTER explained how the FBI went around to all her neighbors and asked about her. She remarked that her husband lost his job with the Post Office because she took several publications considered subversive by the Attorney General. (C) (U)

LEE COE remarked that they are not after Communists but rather any person who spoke against the things that big business was doing. (C) (U)

Mrs. COE said she wanted to take out membership in the American Civil Liberties Union for the corresponding secretary, THELMA LEDBETTER, for the Womens Club. (C) (U)

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TO : SAC

DATE: 5/14/53

FROM : SA BERNARD J. FITZGERALD

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

[redacted] furnished on 5/14/53 to the writer in person a pamphlet entitled "The Smith Act and the Supreme Court" which he obtained on 4/22/53 at the California Emergency Defense Committee Headquarters, 524 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, California.

This pamphlet was published by the American Civil Liberties Union and is being placed in the 1-A section of instant file.

BJF/bjf
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COMPLAINT FORM

American Civil Liberties Union.
Subject's Name and Aliases

JOHN BENNETT.
Name of Complainant

1219 - W. 5th St. CA.
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

MA-3618.
Telephone Number of Complainant

I.S.C.
Character of Case

5-15-53 - 4:25 p.m.
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant contacted the Office in person. To settle an argument, he wanted to know if subj. org. is on the Atty. Gen's list of "Subversive organizations". The Confidential nature of FBI files was Explained to him.

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COMPLAINT FORM

Subject's Name and Aliases

Harold D. Willyard
Name of Complainant

3432 West Blvd., L.A.
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

RE 3.0074
Telephone Number of Complainant

Security Matter - C - Misc.
Character of Case

4 30 p.m. 5/15/53
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant desired to know whether a certain organization (American Civil Liberties Union) was listed as a subversive organization. Was referred to the Civil Service Commission for a listing of such orgs.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

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TO : SAC

DATE: 5/8/53

FROM : SA LOWELL E. GRISHAM

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (100-3267)

Miss DOLORES HALL, 3717 McClintock St. Los Angeles, California, this date telephonically contacted this office and furnished the following information:

Miss Hall is a secretary in the Math. Dept. USC. She has in the past advised her mother, Mrs. R.K. Hall, same address, of her suspicions of certain people at USC, and her mother has furnished such to this office. (It should be noted that the indices contained no reference to either)

The " Civil Liberties Union" of the USC Campus is holding a meeting this evening at the home of ~~LEON~~ LEON HENKIN, 4201, 7th Ave, Los Angeles, a professor in the Math Dept, USC. Miss Hall suspects HENKIN of being a communist because he receives the DPW and because he has indicated that he will not sign a loyalty oath. The aforementioned group calls itself the "Young Subversives" and it will meet this evening with the USC chapter of the "Student Commonwealth Forum", a national organization, the local chapter of which is "Underground" at USC.

100-42762-X

Miss Hall overheard, on either Monday or Tuesday of this week, a conversation between BERNARD SHERMAN, Assistant Professor of Math. USC and RALPH S. PHILLIP, Associate Professor of Math. USC. in which they both indicated that they were members of the CP. (Miss Hall stated that they both admitted CP membership in this conversation; however, she was unable to advise of the language of such admission. Her remarks were rather general and conclusive, and she seemed unable to make specific statements to clarify her general allegations.)

Miss Hall stated that she would again contact this office if any futher information of a security nature came to her attention.

Ralph Phillip
100-17161-184-2

CC BERNARD SHERMAN (100-42762)

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TO: SAC

DATE: May 18, 1953

FROM: SA RICHARD J. STILLING

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ON 12-7-81
Appeal # 9-0178

SUBJECT: BELLAMY CENTENNIAL CLUB
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On April 29, 1953, [redacted] whose identity should be protected, furnished SA RICHARD J. STILLING with a written report, located in [redacted] concerning a meeting of the Bellamy Centennial Club of Los Angeles. The meeting was held on April 19, 1953, at 3335 Country Club Drive, Los Angeles, the home of LEAH LEVIN, and the main speaker was EMIL FREED of the CRC. b7D

FREED spoke of the aims of the CRC in defending innocent persons from harassment and economic reprisal. FREED advised that the CRC will furnish an Attorney for persons who need help, organize community committees for persons who need help and gain justice.

The CRC is not affiliated with the American Civil Liberties Union, but will work with them whenever possible. FREED closed by criticizing the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

The next speaker was NEWTON VAN DALSEM, who had a petition which he urged the persons present to sign. The petition was for OLETA O'CONNOR YATES.

The next speaker was MARGUERITE SELINSKY, who spoke on the care and training of children in the Soviet Union.

RJS:ppp
100-35147
cc: [redacted] b7D

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100-34031 (L. LEVIN)
100-3108 (E. FREED)
100-23717 (CRC)
100-33674 (T. SCHRADER)
100-32993 (N. VAN DALSEM)
100-39659 (M. SELINSKY)
100-3267 (AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)
100-936 (R. SHINAMAN)
100-4848 (O. YATES)

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Informant recognized the following persons present:

EMIL FREED
M. SELINSKY
NEWTON VAN DALSEM
ROY SHINAMAN
LEAH LEVIN
T. SCHRADER

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UNITED WORLD FEDERALIST and
AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

W. N. WILSON

1973 Minrow, Altadena, Calif.

SYcamore 7-6342

5/18/53 6:15 p.m.

Complainant stated she wished to advise SA MACKENZIE that UNITED WORLD FEDERALIST were to have a meeting at 628 Alameda, Altadena, at 8:00 p.m. 5/18/53 at home of Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. TED SWEDLOW; also that AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION were to have a meeting at 8:00 p.m. 5/19/53 at Lincoln Methodist Church. Speakers were to be ROBERT PETTINGILL and Dr. EASON MONROE.

MACKENZIE advised

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
510 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sirs:

A meeting was held in this city as per the enclosed notice from a local newspaper. I attended to observe its nature. The result has been perplexity. So I am sending you the enclosed clipping and a copy of a paper that was distributed and was the subject of extensive study.

I have known something about this organization. As I understand your wish, I am doing nothing about the matter beyond sending you this material. But if you so desire, I am ready to talk more. I have had considerable relation with the F.B.I. agents.

Respectfully yours

James A. McAllister
752 Belvidere Street
Pasadena 6, California

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510 South Spring Street, Room 900
Los Angeles 13, California
May 26, 1953

Mr. James A. McAllister
752 Belvidere Street
Pasadena 6, California

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of May 21, 1953 and its enclosure.

The patriotic interest which prompted you to make this information available is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F. MALONE
Special Agent in Charge

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COMPLAINT FORM

Pasadena - Altadena - So. Pasa.
Subject's Name and Aliases American Civil Liberties Union

Col. Everett Higgins
Name of Complainant

Pasadena.
Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

Telephone Number of Complainant

S.M. - C.
Character of Case

5-18-53 3:30 P.M.
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Col. Higgins advised that above organization was to hold a meeting at Lincoln Ave. Methodist Church, Pasadena, on 5-19-53. Meeting being called by Robt Pettengill who has a grant of funds for adult education from Ford Foundation. Stated he would have an informant in attendence and would report to Pasadena R/A on what takes place.

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TO: SAC

DATE: 6/29/53

FROM: SA THOMAS H. THORNTON

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DATE OF REVIEW 11-25-91

SUBJECT: SANTA BARBARA PEACE FORUM
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On 5/18/53 SA THOMAS H. THORNTON received personally from [redacted] a written report concerning a discussion of captioned group by members of the group and occurrences thereafter. Original report is filed in [redacted] (C) (U)

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[redacted] NANCY MacLEOD phoned KEN _____ to meet her. KEN met NANCY, MARY STONE, and JOHN DICKINSON at 8:15 p.m. at NANCY's place of work from where they all went in a car to East Beach. (C) (U)

All of them were very excited about the article in the local newspaper about the Santa Barbara Peace Forum. This article had appeared on that date of 5/5/53 and was to be followed by two more articles. The articles were for the purpose of examining the Forum to see why the Attorney General placed it on subversive list. (C) (U)

[redacted] discuss what to do about the Santa Barbara Peace Forum being placed on the subversive list of the Attorney General and what to do about the newspaper articles. (C) (U)

NANCY said that she had burned all of the records of the Santa Barbara Peace Forum and not to worry. NANCY said she was in favor of fighting back to get the Peace Forum taken off the list. NANCY said she would go to Los Angeles Friday, 5/8/53, and see a "friend" there in regard to what course to take. (C) (U)

MARY STONE said that the newspaper reporter had called her and MARY told him that the Santa Barbara Peace Forum had been (C) (U)

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cc - [redacted]
100-40573 (Mary Stone)
100-44325 (John Dickinson) (C) (U)
100-23530 (Nancy Reed)
100-44729 (Elizabeth Strachan)
100-36803 (Peter Furst)
100-1100 (Mary Wesselhoeft)
100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)
100-4082 (Frank Leslie Craig)
100-39194 (Elinor Beaulieu) (C) (U)
100-34558 (Charles Beaulieu)
100-34005 (American Peace Crusade)

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defunct for over a year. NANCY said to MARY, "You made a bad political mistake by talking to him. You should not have said the Peace Forum as far as you know has been dead for over a year. You should not have talked to him at all." (C) (U)

MARY [redacted] to the News Press paper and see if the newspaper reporter was there. MARY said she would ask him to "soft-peddle" the article regarding names of persons so no one could be hurt. MARY said she knew the reporter DONALD W. WEIDER and would talk to him. (C) (U)

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JOHN DICKINSON and KEN agreed it was best to wait and see what the next article had to say before fighting it. It was agreed that MARY STONE was to go and talk to the reporter. (C) (U)

They drove to the News Press building and MARY STONE and JOHN went into the building. On returning, MARY said she had left a note on WEIDER's desk for him to call her. JOHN DICKINSON said he found a proof copy of 5/6/53 and that there was nothing to worry about as the article was very tame and did not mention any names. It was agreed between NANCY and MARY STONE that either Mrs. STRACHAN or Mr. (CARL) BRONEER or Mrs. BRONSTON (where PETER FURST lived on Olive Street in Santa Barbara) had informed to the FBI and the newspaper about the Santa Barbara Peace Forum. (C) (U) (U) (C)

On 5/6/53 the second article appeared in the newspaper. NANCY called KEN and said there would not be a meeting that evening as she still wanted to go to Los Angeles and discuss it with a "friend." (C) (U)

On 5/7/53 the final article appeared and NANCY was very much relieved as there were only two names mentioned and they both had left Santa Barbara long ago. (C) (U)

On 5/8/53 NANCY, MARY STONE, and JOHN DICKINSON went to Santa Monica. On NANCY's return home, NANCY told MARY WESSELHOEFT that MARY STONE had got a job at N.C.L.A. while they were down there. NANCY also told her aunt that she was unable to contact her "friend" in Los Angeles about the Peace Forum. NANCY told her aunt that she could not find a house to rent down there at the moment close to a school, but had visited around the schools and liked them very much. (C) (U)

On 5/12/53 KEN and MARY WESSELHOEFT went to a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union at Recreation Center. After the meeting MARY STONE and JOHN DICKINSON went with KEN and MARY WESSELHOEFT. A man spoke to MARY WESSELHOEFT and introduced himself as Mr. _____ CRAIG of San Luis Obispo. He told her that "some of the Hoover boys had called" on him. He asked MARY WESSELHOEFT how things were at 405. (C) (U)

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On Saturday night, 5/16/53, KEN and NANCY went to the home of ELINOR BEAULIEU and found ELINOR's daughter there. They left after about five minutes. NANCY told KEN that ELINOR was going to get a divorce from CHARLES and move to San Francisco. (U)

Informant stated there has been no mention of any connection between the Santa Barbara Peace Forum and the American Peace Crusade. [redacted] stated that to his knowledge there is connection between these two organizations. (U)

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COMPLAINT FORM

Mrs. GRACE AIKO NAKAMURA nee N/R
GRACE AIKO SHINODA wa Mrs. N/R
YOSHIO CLAUDE NAKAMURA N/R

Subject's Name and Aliases

Name of Complainant
1335 Oak Hill Place, S.Pasadena

Address of Subject

Address of Complainant
Cleveland 7 6330

Telephone Number of Complainant

SM-C
Character of Case

6-18-53 6:30 P.M.
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

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FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Mrs. NAKNMURA telephonically called requesting wether the FBI could tell her whether or not the American Civil LIberties Union was communistic. She was advised of [redacted] and told to write San Francisco. She stated that she and her husband YOSHIO CLAUDE NAKAMURA had received a 1953 membership card with a receipt for two dollars in the above named Union. She stated that neither she nor her husband had ever applied for such membership. She said that while she was a student at U. of Redlands, Redlands in 1948 she backed WALLACE for the presidency but that she never has had any thing to do with the communists. She said the Union card reflected #25535 and would expire 6-54.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

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SA ~~CLIFFORD E. PUCKETT~~
Special Agent

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COMPLAINT FORM

CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
Subject's Name and Aliases

MRS. PEGGY CALLEN
Name of Complainant
8561 Appian Way LA
Address of Complainant
HO 24767
Telephone Number of Complainant

Address of Subject
Miscellaneous
Character of Case

7/13/53 at 1:33P
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Telephonically inquired whether above organizatinn was a communist one. Advised that all information in possession of FBI is confidential. She was referred to Calif. State Un-American Committee for possible assistance.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT: None- For record only.

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Special Agent

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COMPLAINT FORM

CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, Southern Calif.Br.
Subject's Name and Aliases

Miss O8Brien Moore
Name of Complainant
1833 N. Grace Ave, Hollywood
Address of Complainant
HOllywood 5 3993
Telephone Number of Complainant
7/13/53 4:15 PM
Date and Time Complaint Received

Address of Subject

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Character of Case

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT: Complainant telephonically contacted this office enquiring if the captioned organization were subversive. She stated that she belonged to the Civil Liberties Union in New York and that the organization was agood American organization and she hadn't any doubts about it. However she atated that she attended a meeting of the above org. yesterday at 1556 N. Mariposa and that about 30 persons were in attendance. She stated that the topic of discussion was "Role of the Investigating Committee" and that they talked about methods of not answering questions directed by the committee. She stated that she got there late and did not know what transpired during the earlier part of the meeting but that she felt that the discussions she heard had som semblence of subversiveness. She stated that she knew no one there and did not enter into things. That no one spoke to her while she was there. She stated that she was instrumental in stopping any Communist infiltration of her union, the Actors Equity Union.

FACTS OF COMPLAINT:

She was advised where to write to find out if the organization in question was cited by the AG.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

If organization subversive consider using complainant as informant.

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JAMES. E. HOFFER
Special Agent

cc 100-45814

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FBI, LOS ANGELES 8/26/53 2:30 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, INFO CONCERNING. DAYLET. [redacted] [redacted] HAS FORWARDED A CIRCULAR LETTER BEING DISTRIBUTED BY THE LOCAL ACLU CHAPTER CONTAINING THE WALTER-MC CARRAN IMMIGRATION LAW AND APPEALING FOR SUPPORT OF A MOVEMENT TO OPPOSE IT. ENCLOSED WITH THE LETTER IS A MODEL RESOLUTION WHICH IT IS URGED BE ADOPTED BY ORGANIZATIONS. THIS RESOLUTION STATES QUOTE WHEREAS THE WALTER-MC CARRAN ACT HAS BEEN CONDEMNED BY MANY GROUPS AND PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS, AMONG WHICH ARE PRESIDENT EISENHOWER, EX-PRESIDENT TRUMAN, THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION, CHURCHES, LEADING NATIONALITY ORGANIZATIONS, AND LABOR UNIONS; AND WHEREAS, THIS ACT DISCRIMINATES IN IMMIGRATION QUOTAS UPON THE BASIS OF RACE, CREED AND NATIONAL ORIGIN; AND WHEREAS, IT DENIES TO NATURALIZED CITIZENS AND NON-CITIZENS MANY CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS AND STANDARDS OF FAIRNESS THAT WE HAVE COME TO REGARD AS BELONGING TO EVERYONE; AND WHEREAS, AMERICA'S

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cc: 1 - 100-43372 (DAYLET)
1 - San Francisco (REG.)

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WEALTH AND GREATNESS TODAY ARE THE PRODUCT OF THE WORK AND SKILLS OF IMMIGRANTS, WHO THEREFORE DESERVE NOT TO BE TREATED AS SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS; AND WHEREAS, CONGRESS HAS RECENTLY ADJOURNED WITHOUT DEALING IN ANY SIGNIFICANT WAY WITH THE REVISION OF THE WALTER-MC CARRAN ACT; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THIS BODY GOES ON RECORD AS OPPOSED TO THIS LAW, AND IN FAVOR OF ITS THOROUGH REVISION, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT DELEGATIONS OF OUR MEMBERSHIP CALL UPON CONGRESSMEN FROM THIS AREA TO PROTEST THE ACT AND TO CALL FOR ITS REVISION; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER, OUR SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN, OTHER INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PRESS.

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SOURCE: [redacted] TO SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN, JR., 8/18/53

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - United States Government

TO: SAC, DATE: 9/29/53

FROM: SA HARVEY G. BERKEY

SUBJECT: NEW CENTER SECTION,
WESTERN DIVISION, LACCP
IS-C

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NOTE: DUE TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS A LIVE INFORMANT EVERY PRECAUTION SHOULD BE TAKEN TO CONCEAL INFORMANT'S IDENTITY IN REPORTING THE FOLLOWING: (C) (U)

On 9/9/53, [redacted] furnished a report to SA H. G. BERKEY. The original report, initialed by the informant, is filed in [redacted] This report was taken in dictation from the informant and transcribed by SE E. M. DU CHARME, whose stenotype notes are filed in [redacted] (C) (U)

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On [redacted] a meeting of the New Center Section Committee, Western Division, LACCP, was held at [redacted] It was a [redacted] (C) (U)

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The first thing was discussion on club problems, the No. 3 club in particular, the one where [redacted] is Chairman. They are going to relieve him of his duties. DOLLY [redacted] (CLOAT) also is going to be relieved. They are supposed to have a special meeting of the club in order to resolve these things. (C) (U)

100-18820
NGB:ord
cc [redacted]
100-34783 (M. Goldsmith)
100-24138 (J. Friedman)
100-30801 (B. Haas)
100-21851 (I. Newman)
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-30657 (D. Cloat)
100-24342 (Leg. Act.)
100-23901 (Education)

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The main discussion for the evening was on the concentration in the Braddock Drive School area. Its to involve the three clubs in that area--Nos. 4, 5 and 7. Its to encompass the entire Braddock Drive School area starting with the primary thing of getting a school. There is a school there but they don't have adequate facilities. This is all to tie in with the housing project. When the housing project opens it will mean about 600 new families, and the Braddock Drive School is already over crowded. I think they have double or triple sessions and the people in the neighborhood are really up in the air about it. (C) (U)

The main proposal from the faction was to meet with two representatives from each club to meet with the faction representatives to form a caucus. (C) (U)

Then the next thing on that same discussion in the form of a plan of action for the clubs tieing in to form a faction plan was the Pico area involving the two Pico Clubs, 2 and 3. They want to have a similar thing around the American Civil Liberties Union to get them to start a chapter around the Pico area, starting with possibly a mass meeting. They suggested that someone be appointed to contact the ACLU downtown. The ACLU comes out with some pretty good things. They had a couple of mass meetings because they have taken a stand against some of the intimidation. (C) (U)

The next two weeks is the educational on the article in the July PA (Political Affairs) by FOSTER on white chauvinism and left sectarianism. (C) (U)

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COMPLAINT FORM

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
Subject's Name and Aliases

ROY E. DONOVAN, Editor
Name of Complainant

Culver City Citizen News
Address of Complainant

Culver City, Calif.
Telephone Number of Complainant

Address of Subject

10/5/53 9:45 a.m.
Date and Time Complaint Received

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Character of Case

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant advised he received through the mail an invitation to attend a meeting of the above-captioned organization, which meeting was scheduled to be held on Saturday, 10/3/53, at Golden State Life Insurance Co. This meeting was to discuss the McCarran Act and stated that ROBERT MORRIS would preside.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

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J. J. THOMPSON
Special Agent

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SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE

RESIDENTS COMMITTEE AGAINST LOYALTY OATHS
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[redacted]

On 8/6/53 SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE and SA RICHARD J. STILLING interviewed HOWARD HOLTZENDORF, Executive Director, Los Angeles Housing Authority, 1401 East First Street, Los Angeles, California, regarding matters concerning the Residents Committee Against Loyalty Oaths. Mr. HOLTZENDORF furnished to the above agents information concerning those tenants residing in housing projects under jurisdiction of the Los Angeles Housing Authority who had refused to sign the loyalty oath affidavit as required by the Gwinn Amendment and other information concerning a case currently on the docket of the Los Angeles Superior Court entitled HANKERSON vs. Los Angeles Housing Authority, Civil Case #609741. The above information was included in the report of SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE dated 8/21/53 entitled RESIDENTS COMMITTEE AGAINST LOYALTY OATHS, IS-C.

During this interview Mr. HOLTZENDORF advised that on 2/16/53 a delegation from the International Workers Order at Los Angeles appeared at his office and obtained an interview. HOLTZENDORF stated this delegation was made up of Mr. SANFORD GOLDNER, 355 Broadway, Room 522, telephone Mutual 6146, who registered with his receptionist as president of the Jewish section of the IWO; LEO BRANTON, JR., an attorney for MARGOLIS, McTERNAN, and BRANTON, 112 West Ninth Street, telephone VA 7153, who was registered as legal counsel for the IWO; and Mrs. P. (PEARL) FAGELSON, 177½ South Sycamore, telephone Webster 1-5206.

HOLTZENDORF advised that GOLDNER was the speaker of this delegation. GOLDNER advised in connection with the Los Angeles Housing Authority's efforts to obtain loyalty oaths from tenants residing in Los Angeles housing projects that a similar case is currently being heard in the State of New York involving a veteran who had received an eviction notice from the New York Housing Authority on grounds that he had refused to sign this loyalty oath as required by the Gwinn Amendment. GOLDNER advised that several such cases of eviction notices issued by the Los Angeles Housing Authority to tenants of Los Angeles housing projects have come to the attention of the IWO, and since the IWO is

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cc 100-3267 (American Civil Liberties Union)
100-1784 (IWO)
100-22873 (Sanford Goldner)
100-35836 (Leo Branton, Jr.)
100-20216 (Pearl Fagelson)
100-45507 (Fred Okrand)
100-45260 (Jerome W. MacNair)
100-44489 (Eason Monroe)

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sponsoring the similar case now being tried in the State of New York, he felt it his duty to advise Mr. HOLTZENDORF of his interest in these evictions in Los Angeles and that IWO would support any person receiving an eviction notice from the Los Angeles Housing Authority based on failure to comply with provisions of the Gwinn Amendment.

Mr. HOLTZENDORF advised that at a later date (exact date unknown) a second group appeared at his office representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California. This group was made up of FRED OKRAND, J. W. MacNair, president of the Southern California ACLU; EASON MONROE, executive director of the Southern California ACLU; JEROME PACHT, an attorney; and JOSEPH JOHNSON, an architect who resides in Pasadena, California whose father's name is REGINALD JOHNSON. HOLTZENDORF advised that this group appeared to advise the Los Angeles Housing Authority that in case of any eviction notice presented to tenants by the Los Angeles Housing Authority comes to their attention, that the ACLU would actively represent this tenant in a court battle through the Supreme Court of the U.S. if necessary.

Mr. HOLTZENDORF advised that at a later date he ascertained that in the matter entitled HANKERSON vs. Los Angeles Housing Authority, Civil Suit #609741, involving an eviction notice issued by the Los Angeles Housing Authority, he ascertained that one ED MADDOX, an attorney, with address at 129 West Third Street, Los Angeles 13, California, telephone Madison 9-1439, had been engaged as the attorney for the plaintiff HANKERSON, ET AL.

Mr. HOLTZENDORF furnished to the aforementioned agents a sheet of paper on which appeared the typewritten names of those members of a delegation from the IWO as reflected above who visited his office on 2/16/53. He also had his receptionist write on the top of this sheet of paper the date on which this delegation appeared at his office. Beneath this typewritten information there are notes written by SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE reflecting the names as quoted by HOLTZENDORF of those representatives of the ACLU who called on the Los Angeles Housing Authority concerning the Gwinn Amendment violations.

These notes may be found in the 1A exhibit of 100-44645

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 10/22/53 (U)

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(U) AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, INFORMATION CONCERNING. LA METROPOLITAN NEWSPAPERS THIS DATE REPORT THAT THE PHILHARMONIC AUDITORIUM IN LA, OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, HAS REFUSED USE OF THE AUDITORIUM TO THE ACLU FOR A MEETING FEATURING METHODIST BISHOP G. BROMLEY OXNAM. ACCORDING TO LOCAL RELEASES, DOCTOR EASON MONROE, LOCAL ACLU DIRECTOR, HAD ANNOUNCED THAT THE DIRECTORS OF THE AUDITORIUM CONSIDER OXNAM QUOTE TOO CONTROVERSIAL UNQUOTE A FIGURE. MONROE IS QUOTED AS REPLYING (U) THAT SUCH ACTION QUOTE HAS TOO OMINOUS AND DEEP A MEANING FOR US TO LET IT PASS UNQUOTE AND HE DESCRIBED IT AS QUOTE AN OBVIOUS CAPITULATION TO MC CARTHYISM UNQUOTE. A PRETEXT CALL TO ACLU HEADQUARTERS REVEALS THAT ACLU HAD PLANNED TO HOLD THE MEETING IN DECEMBER TO MARK THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS AND HAD INVITED BISHOP OXNAM BUT THAT THE BISHOP HAD NOT YET ACCEPTED. IT WAS FURTHER REVEALED THAT ACLU IS MAKING ATTEMPTS TO FIND OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE MEETING. HOWEVER, IT IS (U)

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1 - 100-42713 (EASON MONROE)
1 - San Francisco (REG.)

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STILL NOT DEFINITE THAT THE BISHOP WILL APPEAR. IT IS NOTED THAT [redacted] REPORTED IN JUNE, FIFTY-ONE THAT EASON MONROE HAD BEEN SUGGESTED FOR SPECIAL LEADERSHIP AND TRAINING IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY AT A MEETING OF THE PROFESSIONAL SECTION OF THE CP IN SAN FRANCISCO. (U)

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BISHOP OXNAM TALK BANNED

Use of Philharmonic Denied Methodist Leader by Baptists

Philharmonic Auditorium representatives yesterday announced they have denied use of the auditorium to Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, national leader of the Methodist Church.

They denied charges by Dr. Eason Monroe, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union, that the auditorium had been rented for an address by Bishop Oxnam on October 15.

Named as having ties to Communist front organizations, Bishop Oxnam, president of the World Council of Churches, was interrogated last July by the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Bishop Oxnam is a controversial figure—and so is the American Civil Liberties Union," auditorium officials stated.

"We are a private organization and have decided that we cannot afford to get mixed up in a controversial thing like this."

They explained that Dr. Monroe telephoned on October 15, to reserve the auditorium for Bishop Oxnam's address.

"Dr. Monroe was given a tentative hold for that date and advised he would be notified definitely the next day," they related.

"During the interim we checked both Bishop Oxnam and the ACLU. We then told Dr. Monroe the auditorium was unavailable because Bishop Oxnam is too controversial a figure . . . and it's still unavailable for him."

The Philharmonic Auditorium is the property of the Temple Baptist Church.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 10/28/53

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, INFO CONCERNING, IS - C. DAYLET. REMYRAD OCTOBER TWENTY-TWO LAST RE PHILHARMONIC AUDITORIUM REFUSAL TO BISHOP G. BROMLEY OXNAM. DAILY PEOPLES WORLD THIS DATE CONTAINS ITEM TO THE EFFECT THAT EASON MONROE, LOCAL ACLU DIRECTOR, HAS BEEN NOTIFIED THAT OXNAM WILL BE UNABLE TO APPEAR HERE DURING THE BILL OF RIGHTS WEEK IN DECEMBER. MONROE IS QUOTED AS SAYING ACLU WILL CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO PRESENT BISHOP OXNAM AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR. (U)

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cc: 1 - 100-43372 (DAYLET)
1 - San Francisco (REG.)

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To: SAC, San Diego

Date. October 9, 1953

From: E.J. KIRBY, SA

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RE: INFORMATION FROM [redacted] (C) (U)

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A report dated October 7, 1953 was received by SA EDWARD J. KIRBY on October 7, 1953 from Confidential Informants [redacted] of known reliability. The report is filed as [redacted] (C) (U) b7D

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The report concerns a hearing afforded HENRY CLINTON ST. JOHN by the Executive Board of Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, California on October 7, 1953 at 8.00 P.M. St. JOHN had refused to sign an additional loyalty oath.

The Informants report that BASIE PETERSON, College President afforded St. JOHN the opportunity to defend himself at an open meetin g of the Executive Board. There were approximately 60 people in attendance at the meeting.

ST. JOHN was represented by AL WIRIN of the American Civil Liberties Union. EASTMAN MONROE of the ACLU was also present and he announced t hat the ACLU would fight the case.

PETERSON asked ST. JOHN the question "Are you now, or have you ever been a member of the Communist Party?". ST. JOHN declined to answer for eight reasons based upon the first ammendment. PETERSON pointed out that ST. JOHN's refusal to answer automatically caused him to be dismissed under the new law.

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The informants identified the following as being in attendance at the hearing: (C) (U)

CORNELIUS J. LOESER
BETTY LOESER
BRIDGET LOESER
ROSE WATKINS
ALBERT WATKINS
[redacted] b7D

MRS. SANDBORN
HUBERT KIDDER (C) (U)
MRS. HUBERT KIDDER
MR. AND MRS WALTER COLE
MARTHA SMITH (U)
CC 100- RUTH ANN SCHULTZ
CC 100-Carolyn Sunghera
CC 100-7179 Joe Menear
CC 100-8490 Vivienne Menear
CC 100-Elizabeth Whipple
CC 100-9194 Henrietta Hanna
CC 100-8809 Andrew Lima
2 CC San Francisco Holland Roberts
Flora Roberts (U)
4 CC Los Angeles (U)
Al Wirin, Eastman Monroe, (C) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
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CC 100-8080 H.C. St. John
CC 100-8100 Fiona A. St. John
CC 100-Civil Liberties Union
CC 100-Civil Rights Congress (C) (U)
CC 100-2573 Neal Loeser
CC 100-7090 Betty Loeser
CC 100-8629 Bridget Loeser
CC 100-7086 Rose Watkins
CC 100-7328 Albert Watkins
CC 100- Walter Cole
CC 100- Hubert Kidder
CC 100-Mrs. SANDBORN
CC 100-9187 Martha Smith
CC 100-3719 Armand Woodbury
CC 100-7498 Elizabeth Woodbury
CC 100-8101 Jack Florer
CC 100-8241 Doris Florer
CC 100-4138 Bert O. Dugdale
CC 100-4555 Helen Dugdale

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ARMAND WOODBURY
BETTY WOODBURY
JACK FLORER
DORIS FLORER
BERT DUGDALE
HELEN DUGDALE
DAUGHTER OF BERT AND HELEN DUGDALE
CAROLYN SUNGHERA AND BOY FRIEND "SAM"
RUTH ANN SCHULTZ
VIVIENNE MENEAR
JOE MENEAR
ELIZABETH WHIPPLE
HENRIETTA HANNA
MR. AND MRS. ANDREW LIMA
MR. ABRAMSON
FIONA A. ST. JOHN
ESTMAN MONROE
FRED ALLEN OF COSTA MESA GLOBE HERALD
REV. BOBBIT of CORONA DEL MAR

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The Informants advised there were also a number of students of St. John's whom they were unable to identify.

The Informants advised that those named with the exception of FRED ALLEN who was covering the meeting for the newspaper, were there in protest of ST.JOHN's dismissal.

The Informants were advised that both the ACLU and the CRC would defend St. John.

The informants heard from an unidentified source that HOLLAND and FLORA HOBERTS are at the St. John home. HOLLAND ROBERTS did not attend for fear his presence would jeapordize St. John's case. FLORA ROBERTS was taking care of the St. John children. (C) (U)

The Informants made available a mimeographed statement dated October 7, 1953 by the American Civil Liberties Union, 257 South Spring Street, Los Angeles 12, California entitled "A PUBLIC STATEMENT" in which it is stated the ACLU has learned that Orange Coast College is taking steps to enforce new requirements for school employment enacted by the California State Legislature during its 1953 session. It protests that CLINTON ST. JOHN has been summoned to appear before the College Board to answer questions in several broad categories relating to his personal political beliefs and affiliations. It continues If St. John refuses to answer any such questions, under the new law the Board has the power to suspend and dismiss him. The statement goes on to justify St. John and to protest the action and also to proclaim that the law is not constitutional.

The informants advised they [redacted] b7D who wrote his current address on the last page [redacted] is maintained as an exhibit in San Diego File 100- 4138 entitled [redacted] (C) (U)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * * * * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC 10/13/53

FROM: SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN

DECLASSIFIED BY 6383 VRTICH
ON 11-25-81

SUBJECT: EASTERN DIVISION, LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY; INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

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In a written report dated August 19, 1953 furnished the following information re Communist Party activities in the Eastern Division, LACCP.

A meeting of the Thaelman group of the Eastern Division, LACCP, was held at the home of on and GLORIA remarked that ARTIE SCHIMBERG was on vacation, and that ALICE ELCONIN is not to come to any meeting for a while. Informant learned that RAE SOLOMON is still attached to this group, which apparently the comrades do not like, apparently because of SOLOMON's personality.

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KLONSKY read a communication on security which was two pages in length, which denounced the FBI and urged everyone to be cautious in what they do as the agents of Fascism will use any means to get people to talk. They have appeared as insurance salesmen, vacuum cleaner salesmen and in many other forms just to gain access to the homes and try to get people to discuss Communist Party activities. A few of the comrades have thought they were smarter than the FBI, and would talk to them, but they were merely falling into the trap.

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		100-25451	(GLORIA KLONSKY)
100-4016	(BEA STEINBERG)	100-25337	(LENA FOREMAN)
100-18280	(BARBARA KAPLAN)	100-25735	(ARTIE SCHIMBERG)
100-22020	(ALICE ELCONIN)	100-28408	(RAE SOLOMON)
100-18594	(BEA BARON)	100-40145	(BOB WEINSTEIN)
62-1616	(B'nai B'rith)	100-7612	(VIVIAN LEVIN)
97-16	(DPW)	100-3267	(Amer. Civil Liberties)
100-21498	(LILLIAN ALEXANDER)	100-23621	(FRANK ALEXANDER)
100-32495	(ATTACKS AGAINST THE FBI)		

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BARBARA KAPLAN reported on the club's standing in the PW Drive. [redacted] b7D
[redacted] KAPLAN and STEINBERG will try to complete theirs by next week. LENA FOREMAN gave $100.00.

The club has postponed the Party plan for the PW Fund Drive, which was to be held at the home of BEA BARON because in the meantime VIVIAN LEVINE and BOB WEINSTEIN, together with the ALEXANDERS (FRANK and LILLIAN), plan a party to be held at LEVINE's residence, and when BEA BARON returning from her vacation, [redacted] she actually cried as they had put a damper on her plans.

[redacted] the meeting VIVIAN LEVINE came by to talk to GLORIA KLONSKY, bringing a clipping from a recent PW, announcing that the League of Women Voters was planning a series of house meetings to speak on the United Nations and international relations. This program was discussed, and it was determined that this would be a good way to get our right-wing organizations interested in something that we could work with them on [redacted] and the others were to call and ask if anything is being done in this area. [redacted] speakers are now being trained, and would be ready sometime in September, and they would call them. [redacted] the B'nai B'rith meeting, whose members were very receptive to the idea, but thought it would be better to have a large meeting instead of a house meeting.

[redacted] a meeting was planned by the "CSO" for September 5th at the East Los Angeles Junior College, [redacted] a representative from B'nai B'rith to go to this.

LENA FOREMAN led the Educational, reading excerpts from her book on Parent Teachers Association. BARBARA KAPLAN took notes, and various points were discussed. The main interest of P.T.A. apparently is child welfare, which was decided was a good thing for the Party as through children much can be done. It was suggested that through the P.T.A. part of the program could be worked in with the Brownies, Cub Scouts and other young groups. BARBARA KAPLAN discussed some principal of the school who was merely a stooge for the Anti-Defamation League and the Board of Education. This

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discussion was motivated by the fact that a house meeting was planned by a woman in the American Civil Liberties Union, to which Mrs. SEGAL, the principal, was invited. She stated she could not come to any such meeting, but apparently had reported this to a Mr. LAZARUS of the Anti-Defamation League, who called this woman and asked her all about the meeting and who was there. BARBARA KAPLAN also remarked that the Anti-Defamation League is a tool of the FBI.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - United States Government

TO: SAC

DATE: 10/19/53

FROM SA HARVEY G. BERKEY

SUBJECT: NEW CENTER SECTION, WESTERN DIVISION, LACCP IS-C

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NOTE: DUE TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS A LIVE INFORMANT EVERY PRECAUTION SHOULD BE TAKEN TO CONCEAL INFORMANT's IDENTITY IN REPORTING THE FOLLOWING: (c) (U)

On 9/25/53, [redacted] furnished a report to SA H. G. BERKEY. The original report, initialed by the informant is filed in [redacted] This report was taken in dictation from the informant and transcribed by SE E. M. DU CHARME, whose stenotype notes are filed in [redacted] (c) (U) b7D (U)

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On [redacted] a meeting of the New Center Section Committee was held at [redacted] home, [redacted] (c) (U) b7D

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100-24138 (J. Friedman)
100-34783 (M. Goldsmith)
100-26045 (Dom. Adm.)
100-26862 (M. Brodsky)
100-43647 (E. Lotker)
100-24342 (Leg. Act.)
100-30657 (D. Sloat)
100-19558 (B. Goldberg)
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100-21857 (L. Newman)
100-41227 (M. Goldsmith)
100-3267 (ACLU)
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97-16 (PW)
100-25050 (A. Coodley)
100-25365 (Strategy)
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The agenda for the evening was plans for the Section, plans for the entire Section, Pico-Robertson Club plan around the American Civil Liberties Union, and the Braddock Drive School plan. The second point on the agenda was press discussion, and org. problems, a report from MARV (GOLDSMITH) on the Division meeting. (C) (U)

Pertaining to the first point on the agenda, MARV (GOLDSMITH) asked for a report from JOE FRIEDMAN and KATIE MARTINEZ on the caucus meeting. The caucus is composed of two members from each club, Nos. 4,5,7. (C) (U)

JOE FRIEDMAN started the discussion telling MARV GOLDSMITH and reporting to the Section about the caucus meeting and the proposals that took place. Then KATIE MARTINEZ reported to them about talking to MIMI BRODSKY from Club No. 4 and EVELYN LOTKER from Club No. 5; that some of the neighborhood women had held a farewell party for MIMI BRODSKY, and out of this meeting came a discussion about the problems of the mothers and the parents in that neighborhood around the Braddock Drive School. Someone made a proposal to go to the principal--a delegation to go to the principal, and EVELYN LOTKER volunteered to go with the group. Actually the plan around the Braddock Drive School is hinging on EVELYN LOTKER's visit to the principal, to see what comes out of that, whether they get out a petition, etc. (C) (U) (C) (U)

MARV GOLDSMITH gave the report on the Pico-Robertson Clubs 2 and 3. They had a caucus meeting too on the previous Friday composed of two members from each club. He said that in keeping with this plan around the forming of a ACLU Chapter in the Pico-Robertson area, that definite responsibilities were assigned; that this was going to involve non-Party people. They are working now mainly in contacting the downtown office of the ACLU, in connection with a mass meeting that the downtown office is planning. This mass meeting will be held downtown but will involve all of the people who plan to work in ACLU. Its going to be about the Mc Carran Walters Act. Thats why the meeting is called to protest the Mc Carran Walters Act. In connection these clubs have been assigned the responsibility to (C) (U)

find out all they can about the Mc Carran Walters Act. Those who will specifically work in this chapter of ACLU are the comrades whose husbands or wives are non-Party, and they are DOLLY SLOAT, BELLE (GOLDBERG), ROSE (~~[illegible]~~), LENNIE NEWMAN and his wife who is non-Party, and MARV GOLDSMITH said he and MURIEL GOLDSMITH would be active in this chapter. MURIEL GOLDSMITH is MARV's wife. She evidently is in the Party. She was in the teachers union when she was a teacher, and [redacted] is why she wasn't active in Party work, but she is active in something. There was a Committee for Better Schools or something that, and she is active in something like that. (U)

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On the press discussion they had an outline that was prepared as an outline for the club. The members went over it and discussed how it should be used in the clubs in order that the comrades should thoroughly recognize the importance of the paper--the need for working the year around rather than just in two drives, the fact that the fund drive was 100 per cent is proof they have a clear understanding of the importance of the paper, but there is some lack of understanding because they don't work like they should the entire year and build up the circulation of the press. It was decided that the club should devote at least one educational from one entire meeting to the press, and at that time to thoroughly analyze the club's work. There were two proposals from the Section: That there be door to door work throughout the Section--at least one person from every club to do some door to door work each week. The second one was a thorough check-up of the use of their own paper--the one mailed to them. This is so it doesn't get burned in the incinerator, whether its passed on or what. (U)

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The third thing was org. problems. In connection with that they reported they had a discussion. JOE FRIEDMAN was present. He is attached to Club No. 3 and he was there at the meeting when they had the thorough discussion on who should accept responsibility, and criticism of those who had held offices before and hadn't carried out their responsibility. The change now is that ANITA COODLEY is the chairman, and BELLE _____ (possibly GOLDBERG) is Org. Sec. (U)

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Then MARV GOLDSMITH gave a report on his last Division meeting. This was in connection with a [redacted] a State Central Committee report. It was a long detailed thing that he gave to JOE FRIEDMAN so that JOE could prepare the educational for the next Section Committee meeting. Then MARV talked informally about what the Division expected and how he is to go about carrying out the things they expect. He said that the discussion has been leading up to the fact that the Party has to change over more to the working class and especially to industry; that they have made very concrete proposals, and he is to find out just who in the Section can be talked to in connection with going into industry, and he said the emphasis would be on small businessmen or men who have cleaning plants or similar businesses. JOE said that he felt that the discussion should be carried to the clubs; that they should have a thorough discussion on it, then between MARV and the club chairman would come the information about who he could contact. (C) (U)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 11/6/53 (U)

FROM : SA JUDSON J. HODGES

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On 10/20/53 SA JUDSON J. HODGES received a written report from [redacted] This report is filed in [redacted] and contains the following information: (C) (U)

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On Wednesday, October 1, 1953, at 8:00 PM a joint membership meeting was held at SWP Headquarters, 1702 East 4th Street, Los Angeles, California. Comrade HOWARD ROSEN was elected as chairman of this meeting. There were thirty-seven comrades present at this meeting and some of those in attendance were as follows: (C) (U)

AL APPEL	ERROL BANKS	JOE STERMER
ELEANOR COOPER	MANNY FISHLER	DICK BOERNER
TYBIE FRAZER	ED GEHRSKE (GURSKE)	DICK FRAZER
LILLY CURTIS	MILT SLAKTER	FRED HALSTEAD
TOM KERRY	CAROLYNE KARRY (KAROLINE KERRY)	EDMOND KOVACS
SHIRLEY KOVACS	DELLA McCREARY	BOB MORGAN
PATRICK MURPHEY	ESTHER MURPHEY	SAM ROTH
SYLVIA ROTH	HOWARD ROSEN	YETTA ROSEN
MITT SNIPPER	ANN SNIPPER	SAM STARKE
MAE STARKE	DON STARK	BOB STROWISS (AARON)
HENRY SNIPPER	BERNIE SAPIRO	EMILY THORNTON
ALLEN TAPLIN		CLYDE TURNER

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100-29455 (A. APPEL)
100-34520 (E. BANKS)
100-44831 (R. BOERNER)
100-39743 (E. COOPER)
100-29591 (E. FISHLER)
100-4936 (R. FRASER)
100-31766 (T. FRASER)
100-2353 (E. GURSKE)
100-24141 (L. CURTISS)
100-32360 (F. HALSTEAD)
100-46508 (T. KERRY)
100-46762 (K. KERRY)
100-29463 (E. KOVACS)
100-28526 (S. MORRIS)

CARL FEINGOLD) REG.
ALLEN TAPLIN) REG.
FRED HALSTEAD) REG.

100-19949 (D. McCREARY)
100-29454 (R. MORGAN)
100-29620 (J. MURPHY)
100-24798 (S. ROTH)
100-43506 (S. ROTH)
100-23553 (H. ROSEN)
100-29529 (Y. ROSEN)
100-29648 (M. SNIPPER)

100-29619 (E. MURPHY)
100-29744 (D. MORGAN)
100-29374 (A. SNIPPER)
100-23383 (S. STARK)
100-29661 (M. STARK)
100-29522 (A. STROWISS)
100-23431 (H. SNIPPER)
100-29559 (B. SAPIRO)
100-30670 (E. THORNTON)
100-31005 (A. TAPLIN)
100-29557 (J. STERMER)
100-31872 (R. SULENTA)
100-30389 (C. FEINGOLD)
100-31033 (M. GENECIN)

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Informant advised that the comrade mentioned as RUDY is RUDY SUDATO (SULENTA). (C) (U)

The last minute changes in the transfer of comrades is as follows: Comrades FRED HALSTEAD, ALLEN TAPLIN and CARL FEINGOLD are being transferred to the Detroit, Michigan branch at the expense of the Party. Several comrades who are members of the majority faction from various parts of the country are being transferred to Detroit to overcome the majority in the Detroit branch that is held by the national minority. These transfers will change the balance of power in this branch from the Cochrane faction to the majority. Informant advised they are leaving Los Angeles on Sunday, October 18, 1953. (C) (U)

In addition, Comrade MILT ALVIN is leaving for New York to attend the Trotsky school. (C) (U)

It was voted that for at least the next six weeks, all meetings will be joint meetings held at the headquarters and that there will be open forums held each Friday starting October 13, 1953. The speaker for the first meeting will be a person from the Civil Liberties Union and his talk will be about the McCarran Act. Informant believed that the man's name is MORRIS. The second week the speaker will be Comrade DAN MORGAN; third week EDMOND KOVACS; fourth week TOM KERRY and fifth and sixth weeks DICK FRASER. (C) (U) (U) (C)

Informant advised he believes that TOM KERRY wants to discontinue the weekly branch meetings and wants twenty comrades each Sunday to go out and sell the Militant and also to sell some of the literature that the Party issues thereby making contacts so that the membership of the Los Angeles branch can be increased. Breakfast will be served every Sunday morning at the branch for the people who are going to sell the Militant. (C) (U)

As TOM KERRY had accomplished his purpose of holding joint meetings, the meeting closed at 9:30 PM and there was no educational. He stated that the Party has a very ambitious program planned and will outline this plan to the members next week now that the local has voted for joint meetings. (C) (U)